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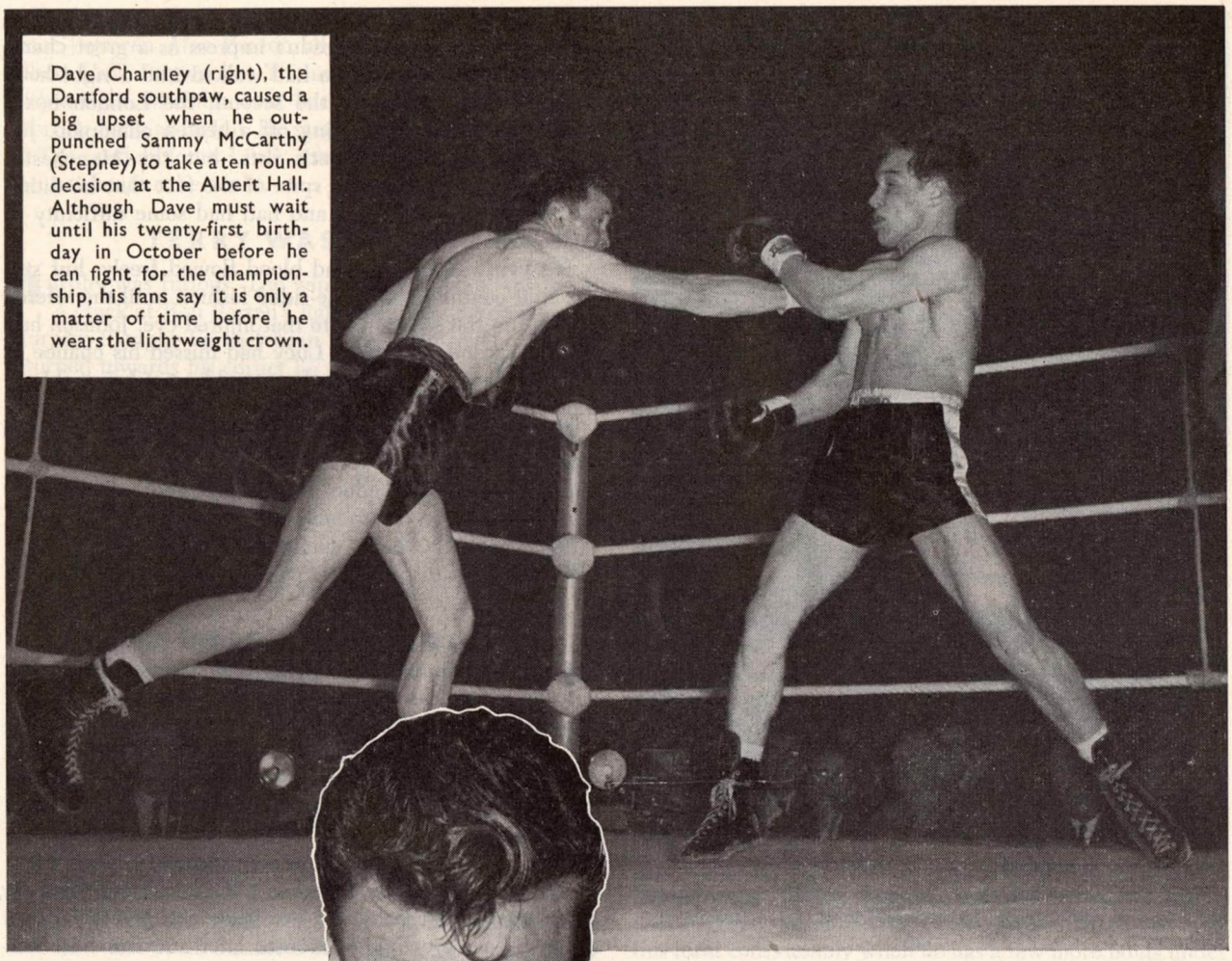
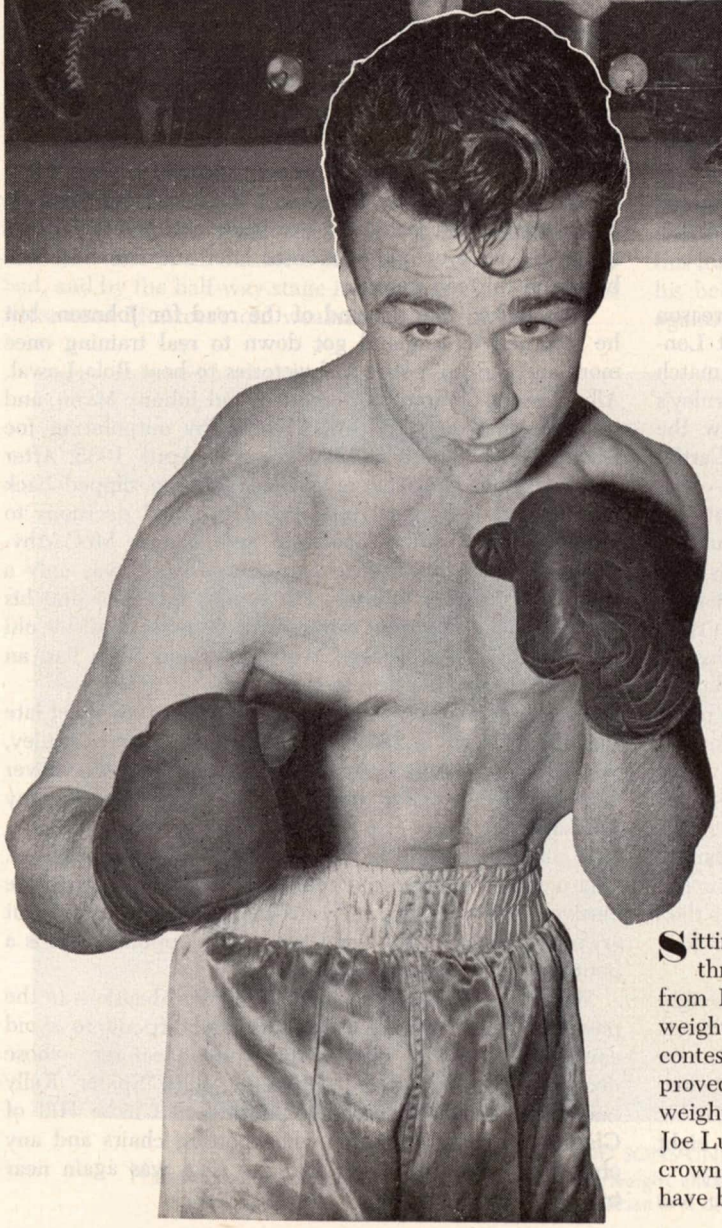


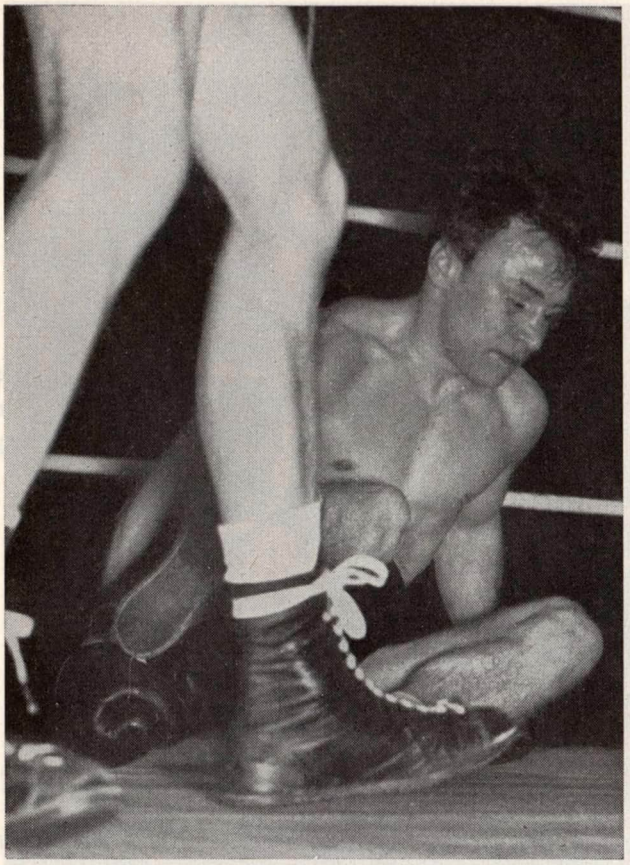
Dave Charnley (right), the Dartford southpaw, caused a big upset when he out-punched Sammy McCarthy (Stepney) to take a ten round decision at the Albert Hall. Although Dave must wait until his twenty-first birthday in October before he can fight for the championship, his fans say it is only a matter of time before he wears the lichtweight crown.



DAVE MEANS TO BOSS THE LIGHTWEIGHTS

By JAMES BUTLER

Sitting pretty in a direct line for ascent to the lightweight throne is Dave Charnley, the 20 year old boiler-maker from Dartford, Kent. Charnley, a former A.B.A. feather-weight champion, cannot take part in a fifteen rounds contest until he is twenty-one in October, but he has proved that he is the most promising of all our light-weights, and will be strongly fancied to take over from Joe Lucy, of Mile, who in April recaptured the lightweight crown from Frank Johnson, the Manchester lad, who might have been such a brilliant champion.



THE WINNER GOES DOWN

What's Dave doing there? He has only slipped against Sammy McCarthy. A few seconds later Charnley was again tearing into Sammy

Charnley rocketed to the top as a lightweight by reason of his convincing win against Sammy McCarthy at London's Albert Hall. Most of the wise boys thought the match was a good one for the Stepney boy, but Charnley's manager, Arthur Boggis, took a gamble and threw the youngster in against Sammy. Never before has McCarthy taken such rough treatment.

The little "southpaw" terror from Dartford tore into his more experienced opponent from the second round onwards, and Sammy, surprisingly confounded in his first bout against a "southpaw", was hammered round the ring.

Sammy was down in the second round, and again from a body blow in the fourth. Full credit to McCarthy for fighting back so splendidly, although I think he adopted wrong tactics. And as hard as he fought, he could never keep the aggressive two-handed Charnley out, and Sammy had no defence at all against Dave's left swing which landed with crushing force so frequently on Sammy's face.

Charnley at twenty looks one of the best prospects in the lightweight division since Eric Boon and Ronnie James. Boon, by the way, had become light wgt champion just before his eighteenth birthday, but the rule did not then exist debarring a fighter under twenty-one taking part in a fifteen round contest.

McCarthy had been tipped as a coming lightweight champion following his earlier convincing win over Frank Johnson, who was champion at the time, but Charnley hammered McCarthy as easily as Sammy had belted Johnson.

Since those two fights Johnson was stopped in eight rounds in a title fight at Manchester against Joe Lucy.

Arthur Boggis, manager of Dave Charnley, who was present at the Belle Vue ringside thinks Dave could beat Johnson and Lucy. Lucy didn't impress as a great champion because after Johnson had walked into a right hook which put him down in the second, the London boxer made hard work of finishing off a beaten champion. Joe battered Johnson with both fists, but the Manchester fighter kept on his feet in spite of the fact that he didn't look in the best of shape, and had had some difficulty in making the weight.

His eye was also cut and blood flowed freely, but still the bout continued in a one-sided fashion until the referee ended it in the eighth due to that injured eye. Johnson had taken a second count, but Lucy had missed his chance of getting a big applaud from the crowd by not being able to finish off a tired and injured fighter.

Certainly the right hand punch which Johnson had walked into was a good one, and ringsiders were of the opinion that the London boxer who had knocked out Gordon Goodman (Bournemouth) with a peach of a punch in the final lightweight eliminator had developed a k.o. blow. This was disproved, however, when Joe failed to put Johnson away.

HE COULD HAVE BEEN GREAT

What a disappointment Johnson has proved. He could have been an outstanding champion if he possessed the right outlook. There have been few more polished lightweights in recent years, but when he lost his title on the scales in 1953 when he came in over the 9st 9lbs limit to defend his title against Joe Lucy, he seemed to be entirely unconcerned.

Lucy outpointed him in a non-title fight, and Frank went off to Australia to defend his remaining Empire crown against Pat Ford, and was beaten on points. He had a return bout a couple of months later and this time was beaten in thirteen rounds.

That looked like the end of the road for Johnson, but he returned to England got down to real training once more and ran up a string of victories to beat Bola Lawal, Alby Tissong, Johnny Butterworth, and Johnny Mann, and then regained his lost British crown by outpointing Joe Lucy over 15 rounds at Manchester in April, 1955. After outpointing Guy Gracia of France, Johnson slipped back into his old lethargical mood, and dropped decisions to Solly Cantor, Gordon Goodman and Sammy McCarthy.

When losing his title to Lucy recently he was only a shadow of the old Johnson. His timing was poor and his defence shaky. He went through the motions of all his old clever self, but his reflexes were slow, and Lucy had an easy task in beating him to the punch.

How will Charnley and Lucy fare should they meet late this year or early in 1957? My bet would be on Charnley, but at the same time I am quite prepared to see the clever Lucy give Dave far more trouble than did Sammy McCarthy.

It could be an odd battle with two southpaws opposed. Charnley is the aggressive tearaway fighter, and Lucy the elusive boxer who hits and runs throughout a contest, but keeps returning to the annoyance of his opponents. It is a bout that would intrigue Londoners.

With so many outbursts against referees decisions in the past few months, these officials find it difficult to avoid controversy. Tommy Little, the London referee, whose decision in Belfast which decided that Billy "Spider" Kelly had lost his British featherwight title to Chalie Hill of Glasgow, started a rumpus when bottles, chairs and any objects handy were tossed into the ring, was again near trouble recently.

Tommy was in charge of the final cruiserweight eliminator between Alex Buxton and Terence Murphy at the Albert Hall, Buxton put Terence down in the first round with a right. Murphy went backwards and gave his head a terrific bang as he fell. He staggered up around the count of Ten, and Referee Little ruled that the dazed Terence had not beaten the count.

TERRY WAS ANGRY

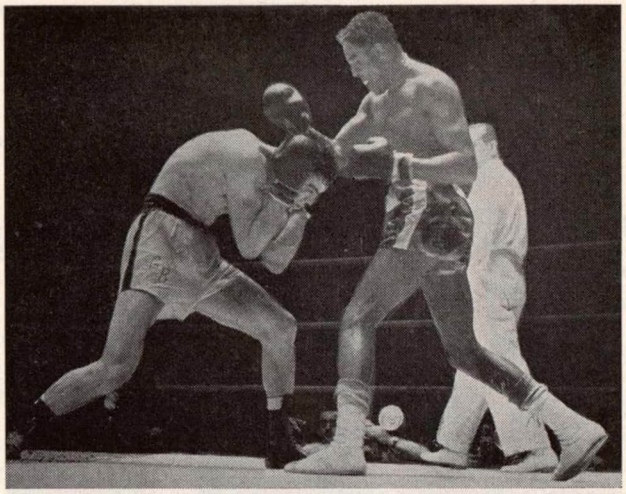
Murphy was furious. The winner of this bout was to get a crack at Ron Barton's light-heavyweight crown, and Murphy thought he had been dealt with harshly. As he returned towards his corner he spotted Tommy Little, and aimed a couple of blows in the official's direction.

Little, a former boxer himself, ducked smartly, and Terence was then held back. Board officials at the ringside called Terence up before the Stewards, and after apologising, Murphy was cautioned and fined £50.

Pat McAteer, the twenty-four year old British and Empire middleweight champion, discovered at the Empress Hall, London, that ring rust undermines a champion more than anything else. For it was his four and a half months absence from the ring due to his broken left hand that brought about his points defeat at the hands of South Africa's Jimmy Elliott.

Previously, McAteer had survived forty professional bouts without defeat, and in spite of his enforced rest from the ring, most fight fans expected him to be too smart for Elliott who had once had to quit boxing owing to a serious eye injury.

It didn't work out this way. After McAteer had made a confident start which seemed to justify the general opinion that he would win comfortably, it was soon made clear that he was out of distance. His timing was particularly bad, and by the half-way stage it was clear that Elliott had discovered McAteer's old weakness, a poor defense.



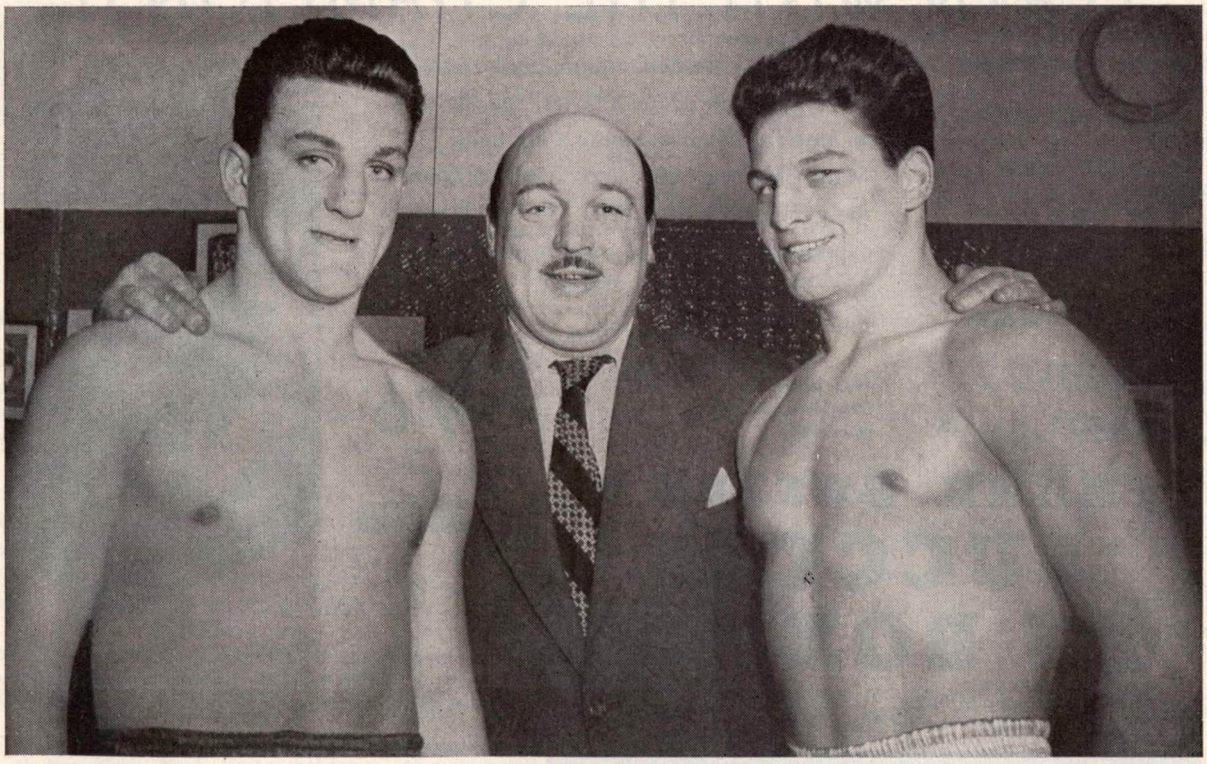
GAVILAN LOSES AGAIN

Germinal Ballarin, the French middleweight, ducks under a left from Kid Gavilan in Paris. The Kid was involved in another controversy when he protested after the referee declared Ballarin the winner in points

Had the South African possessed a better punch, he would probably have won by a knockout. Certainly, he had McAteer hurt by body blows in the eighth round, and the British champion was in serious danger of losing the fight in the ninth when Elliott hooked him freely to head and body with left and right jabs.

Only superb courage kept the beaten champion on his feet in this round, and while the crowd showed their appreciation of this essential quality, it was painfully clear that McAteer still has considerable limitations.

Obviously, the Birkenhead champion can improve on this form considerably when he has a few more bouts under his belt. He had not boxed since he broke his left hand against Mike Holt, of South Africa, in Johannesburg last



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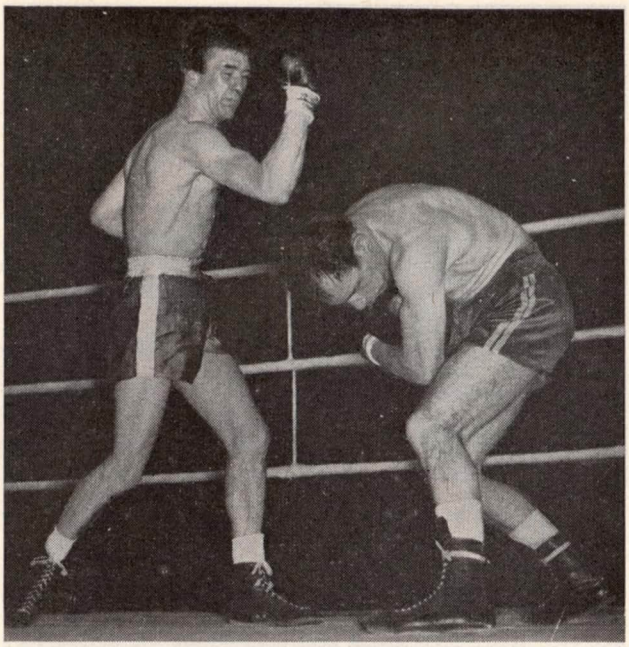
Proud father is Jack London, former British heavyweight champion, who puts his arms round his fighting sons, Brian (left) and Jack junior. Dad hopes Brian will one day become heavyweight champion.



THE SKY'S THE LIMIT!

A right uppercut from Peter Waterman (Clapham) sails into the air. Battered Bruno Marostegan, the Belgian welterweight, has ducked this one, but the referee halted the bout in the sixth to save the Belgian further punishment.

November, and he was completely out of distance most of the fight. Some of his swings in the eighth and ninth rounds were just desperation punches, and were easily avoided by Elliott.

The South African made Pat look a novice at in-fighting. McAteer's policy should have been to stay away and jab his way to victory. Instead, he freely went in to mix matters, and his head was continually being jabbed backwards by Elliott, who was always the boss at close-quarters.

THAT RING RUST

McAteer would do well to have a series of bouts to shake off that ring rust. No champion can fight smoothly while it is hanging about.

The likeable Birkenhead champion was the first to admit his performance was his worst ever, and a few nights later he went along to Liverpool Stadium to watch Lew Lazar, of Aldgate, qualify to fight for Pat's British and Empire titles by outpointing Billy Ellaway in a final eliminator.

Pat agreed that the London boxer who had damaged his left hand during the bout boxed brilliantly, and said that he himself would have to do beter against Lazar than he had done against Jimmy Elliott if he was to retain his title.

Lazar has already made one bid for a British title when he was knocked out by Pat's Birkenhead pal, Wally Thom, the welterweight champion. Lew is one of the few outstanding Jewish boxers today. Odd when we look back on so many great Hebrew boxers of the past such as Ted Kid Lewis, Kid Berg, Harry Mizler and many others. Berg, in fact, is the last Hebrew pugilist to hold a British title, and that was twenty years ago!

Perhaps Lazar can put this right, but you won't get any fight fans on Merseyside to agree. They say that McAteer, having lost his unbeaten professional record, will never box so badly again, and that Lazar will face a different champion to the one who performed so poorly against Jimmy Elliott.

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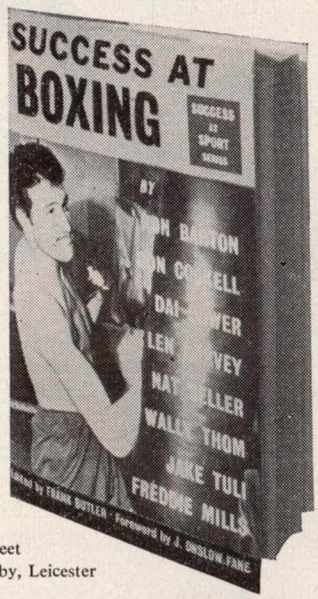

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FIGHT FOR RIGHT

Thank God somebody connected with boxing has finally screwed up the guts to register a protest against what is going on in boxing in the United States today.

Maybe it is not true that "people who live in pig pens can't smell the odor." A recent Ring article on the Saddler-Elorde fight is evidence that boxing, as we see it today, is too rotten for even a guy who lives off it, to endure in silence.

By far, the great majority of United States citizens are decent, honest, square guys who hate anything that is not on the level. Thousands of them have been killed or shed their blood in two world wars and Korea in an effort to keep life and living on that basis and it is certainly ironical to contemplate the disgusting fact that there are certain people in our country in a highly publicized sport such as boxing who will put the buck ahead of pride, honor and decency. The wise smart jokers may laugh, shrug their shoulders and call us suckers but there are a vast host of people who are proud of these United States and are jealous of her reputation.

The responsibility for what is going on in boxing today rests squarely on the shoulders of those public officials in charge of regulating the sport. Without collaboration on their part, today's conditions could not exist. They are responsible for the rules, they are responsible for the officials in and at ringside charged with the duty of enforcing them.

Edward T. Matsuki
South Natick, Massachusetts

UNFAIR TO DON

I have noticed in your past issues, many snide remarks concerning Don Cockell. You mentioned his remark about some Briton hitting him harder than Rocky Marciano. It seems to me, that one remark shouldn't be attacked so viciously, after the fouls he received at the hands of Marciano. Whether you consider him a "fat farmer" or not, he deserves more than snide criticisms.

Natasha Davis
Willows, California

FIXED FIGHTS OR MISMATCHES

I wonder what Julius Helfand, Chairman of the New York State Athletic Commission meant when he went on the air and told millions of listeners that "many fights during the period the Boxing Managers' Guild was in operation in New York, were for all practical purposes "Fixed". His explanation later, that what he referred to was mismatches in which managers pitted youngsters against experienced fighters, overmatching them to such an extent that victory from the start was assured the more experienced boxer", places the blame directly on the commission.

Isn't it the job of the Commission to sanction bouts? If the Commission sanctioned such contests, then so far as I'm concerned it shows a lack of ability on the part of those responsible for carrying out boxing in New York.

"Fixed fights?" Definitely No. Helfand cannot point out one since he took office in which he can prove collusion.

Mismatches? Yes, plenty of them and the commissions are to blame for permitting such bouts to be staged.

Harriet E. McGillvray
Port Jervis, New York

RIOT SQUAD

Being a religious reader of the Ring for the past eighteen years, I wish to thank you and your staff for a lot of enjoyment. It's a pleasure to read a magazine that one can have total confidence in it's accuracy of report. Also in its completeness leaves so much room for the lighter side and the human interest of the game.

I attended a show at Tlaquepaque, a suburb of Guadalajara. I saw the weirdest bout ever. Baby Franko was fighting Gordia Lopez II in the ten round main event. Baby Franco was having a bit the better of the go throughout the first half of the bout. However, it seemed Lopez, a tough kid, would go the route.

In round six Lopes suddenly staggered Franko and followed up to floor his man. Upon rising, Franko continued to be unable to control his legs and staggered all over the ring with Lopez following, hitting out when he could reach his man.

I thought that the referee was correct in stopping the bout and awarding the decision to Lopez. But shortly after, when Franko recovered, he pushed Referee Reyes Lopez aside, and rushed into action again. Franko, despite the efforts of the referee, a main event boxer himself, slammed his opponent all over the ring and at one time almost out of the ring. He was a bloody warrior when the gong ended the round.

At this point a friend of Lopez jumped into the ring and started to battle Frank's seconds. While they were slugging it out, others joined and a free-for-all took place.

The man who won by a "technical knockout", was now sitting his his corner, a victim of his rival's fusillade. The followers of Lopez figured he had won by the referee's decision but Franko's mob called him the victor by a T.K.O. Can you beat that?

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ONIONS TO SAXTON

In regard to the Chicago fight, this letter probably won't make any difference to anybody, but I want to express my opinion on the decision given to Saxton over Basillio. I am an enthusiastic boxing fan and have been since I fought in the Golden Gloves. I think that was the sorriest, in fact the worst decision that I have ever witnessed, and I have witnessed some bad ones.

I have taken The Ring magazine for many years and have kept them since 1936 to the present time and I would like to see this letter published in The Ring.

Gene Kelly
Houston, Texas

HIT AND RUN—BOXING?

My present association with boxing is limited to the watching of the fights on Wednesday and Friday nights over television. This media, I believe, has done more to promote interest in boxing than any single thing, however, I also believe, television has been the force behind the rise of many third rate fighters. With the advent of TV boxing, many new fight fans have been acquired. These fans are more easily swayed, pro or con, toward the game.

First, Carmen Basilio was "challenged" by Johnny Saxton. Insofar as Basilio was the champion, it seems, that he had something that a challenger (Saxton) wanted, that being the Welter-

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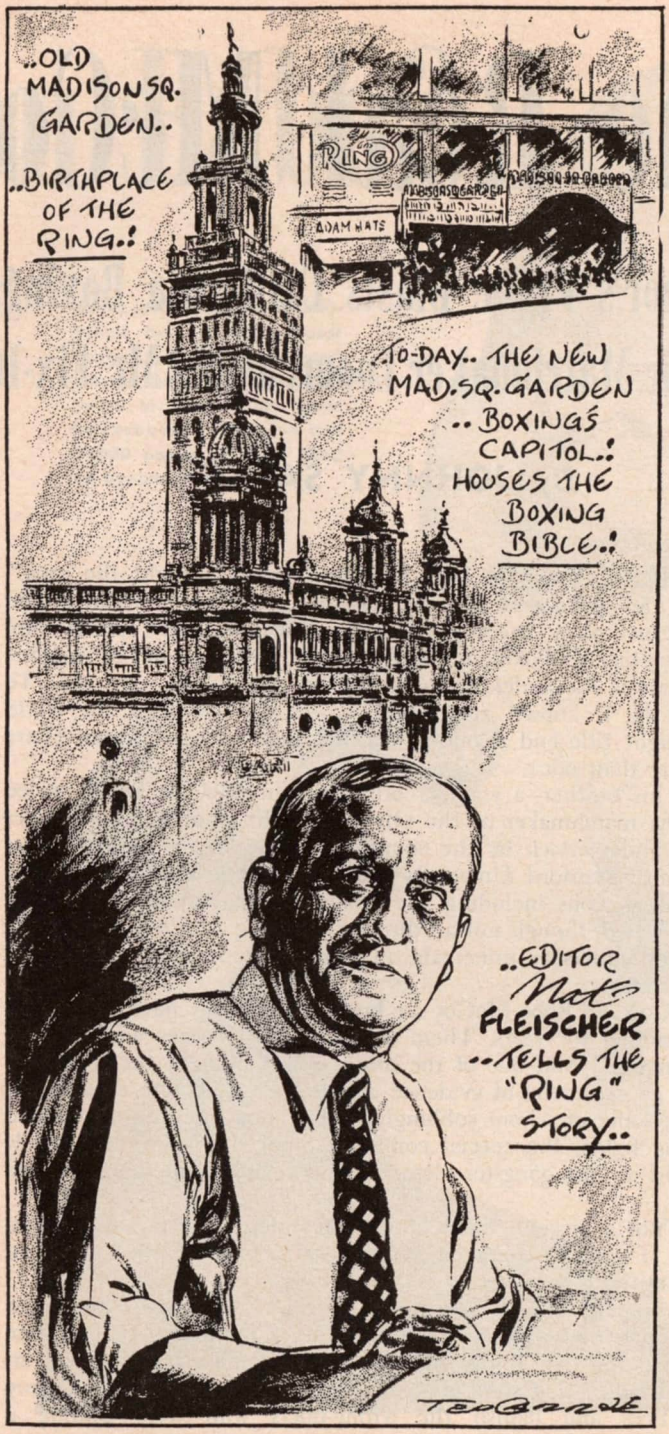

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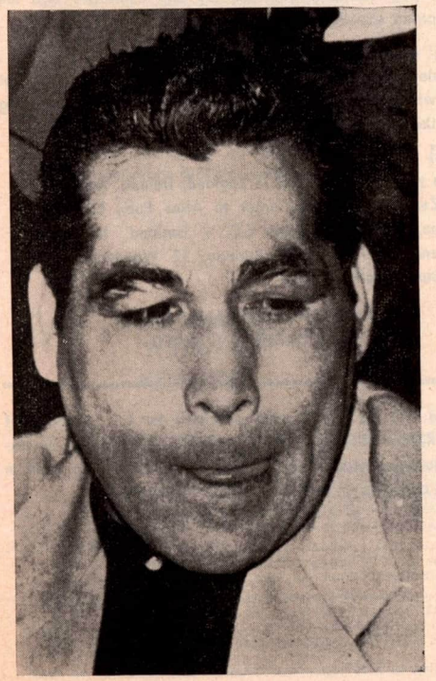


The Real McCoy on Babe?

Governor's Probe Blasts California Boxing; Olympic Matchmaker Looms as Big Mr. Fix-It

By JOHNNY SALAK

"THERE's going to be a hanging. And I brought the rope." So spoke a small, bent, hard-of-hearing old gentleman who leaned on a cane as Governor Goodwin Knight's special committee investigating boxing in California got under way in Los Angeles.

His name is Alexander Rudolph and he is sixty-two years old. To the trade he is known as Al McCoy and he had held the world middleweight title and is one of the few men to have beaten Harry Greb more than once.

It was his brother—a younger brother—Babe McCoy, heavy jowled and portly, matchmaker of the Olympic Auditorium in Los Angeles who was under attack by the comittee, led by state's counsel James Cox, former Stanford University football player. The charges were many and grievous including the "fixing" of fights (almost a score were uncovered, though not all directly involving McCoy), many with leading contenders as principals, in nine different states throughout the country.

Al McCoy and Babe McCoy are brothers—but they have not spoken to one another for years. There would, if the charges were proven, be a "hanging." And one of the brothers had brought the rope.

Under an avalanche of evidence and testimony, before a parade of witnesses, some of whom sobbingly told of how they were inviegled into fixing fights, the special committee moved forward relentlessly in its fight against gangster elements and hoodlum methods in boxing.

It was not a nice picture that was presented. But it was a necessary one. It was a discouraging state of affairs to some. But it was an encouraging note to many.

More important, it continued the country-wide campaign, launched previously in New York under Chairman of the State Athletic Commission Julius Helfand and in Pennsylvania under Jim Crowley, head of that state governing body, to ferret out and destroy evil practices and banish the wrong-doers who were gaining a stranglehold on the sport.

And, it gave heart to others. Timidity, fear of reprisal, ignorance, intimidation and political back-bending, these are the allies of the corroded element in boxing which, often on contact, transmits itself to others.

It is not an easy task to wipe all that away. But it is being done and as New York, Pennsylvania and California take the lead, other states are following suit.

We do not know whether all the charges against Babe McCoy are true, or, whether true, can be proven. But there is a mountain of testimony (at one point McCoy screamed "You've got 14,000 pages of notes lined up against me!"), mostly directed against McCoy and, even if it cannot be proven, much of it fairly weeps with sincerity. Unfortunately, that is not enough for the courts. Unfortunate, also, is the fact that the California statute of limitations on fixed fights is three years and the bouts in question all took place prior to that period. Prosecution there would be thwarted. Where fights mentioned in the testimony took place within the last three years they were, for the most part, studiously avoided by the witnesses.

Heavy jowled and portly, 300-pound czar of West Coast boxing, Babe McCoy, sweated out the testimony, mostly directed at him. At one point he screamed "You've got 14,000 pages of notes lined up against me!"

It does take a certain courage to stand up before the world and say that you have done a wrong thing, even if you cannot be directly punished for it. If it is done with sincerity. And, to a certain extent, the former fighters who wove a tragic and shameful story of fixes in a nation-wide monopoly must be commended. Not vindicated, but commended.

They came like men burdened with great weights—some voluntarily, others because they were commanded—and seemed in the end proud and relieved to throw off a great guilt, albeit too late to do a maximum of good.

THEY came and told their stories, simply but with an unplanned dramatic intensity. Tommy Campbell was there. Once a leading lightweight contender he now wears glasses to support his faulty vision, blurred by punches that couldn't be stopped and some that could have been avoided. He testified under oath that he was "definitely told to lose to Art Aragon at the Olympic, May 16, 1950."

He kept talking. "The deal was arranged between George Moore, my manager, and Babe McCoy, in a meeting shortly before the bout."

Campbell went on. McCoy, he claimed, had told him he was "through" in California after a wrangle over money following his bout with Luther Rawlings. "We got the Aragon fight after McCoy later told me I 'could have a good pay-day if I promised to lose.'"

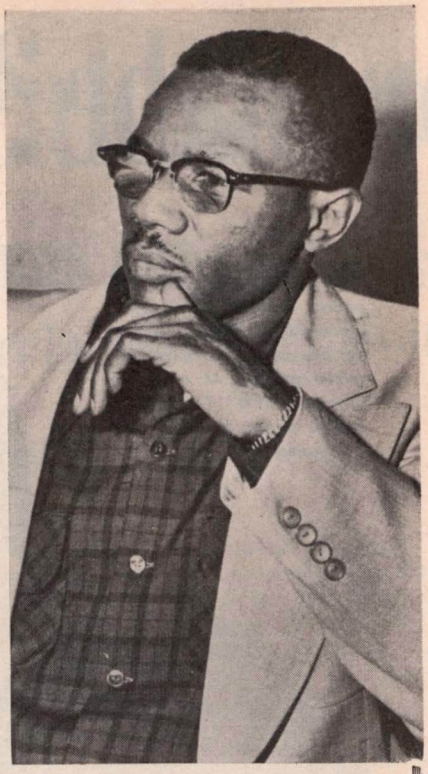
"Moore, in a meeting with McCoy and myself, assured me that I couldn't try to win, because he'd already posted money guaranteeing we'd lose," Campbell continued.

Instructions were given. Campbell said he was told to "make it look good until the fourth round, and then get hit and that'll be the end."

What happened in the fight? Campbell stunned himself and Aragon when he dropped the Golden Boy in the second round. He seemed bewildered and surprised by what had occurred. He went to assist Aragon. After Aragon got off the floor, Campbell immediately started retreating.

Soldier Eddie Stanley, former fighter and manager, testified he took a fighter to Portland with instructions to "get home as quickly as possible." Stanley said Babe McCoy issued the orders.

Tommy Campbell, with instructions to "make it look good until the fourth round," against Art Aragon, almost upset things when he dropped Golden Boy in the second. He decided then to go out in the third.



FOR THE RECORD

A list of the fights brought to light in the California State probe of boxing that, according to the testimony of witnesses (in most cases the fighters themselves), were prearranged or were attempted to be fixed.

TOMMY CAMPBELL

May 16, 1950—Art Aragon, Los Angeles	KO by 3
June 21, 1951—Del Flanagan, Minneapolis	W 10
July 19, 1951—Del Flanagan, Minneapolis	D 10

WATSON JONES

Apr. 19, 1949—Joe Kahut, Portland	KO by 2
July 15, 1949—Jimmy Bivins, Las Vegas	KO by 2
Nov. 17, 1949—Pat McCafferty, Topeka	KO by 3
May 4, 1950—Harry Matthews, Tacoma	KO by 3
Feb. 28, 1956—Zora Folley, Phoenix	KO by 3

GEORGIE HANSFORD

Dec. 26, 1945—Allie Stolz, Newark	L 8
Jan. 31, 1946—Jimmy McAllister, Baltimore	L 10
Apr. 2, 1946—Enrique Bolanos, San Antonio	KO by 2
1946—Roscoe Scalley, Las Vegas	W 10
Nov. 1, 1946—Roscoe Scalley, San Diego	KO by 4

IRA (PINKY) HUGHES

June 28, 1946—Joe Kahut, Portland	KO by 4

CARLOS CHAVEZ

Nov. 21, 1950—Art Aragon, Los Angeles	KO by 1

YOUNG HARRY WILLS

Nov. 20, 1950—Freddie Beshore, Baltimore	W 10
Jan. 22, 1951—Jimmy Bivins, Baltimore	KO by 4
Nov. 8, 1952—Harry Matthews, Spokane	L 10
Dec. 22, 1953—Kirby Seals, Los Angeles	NC 6

TIGER SHEPPARD

Dec. 11, 1945—Watson Jones, Los Angeles	KO by 10

Rather than take any chances and wait until the fourth round, Campbell saw an opportunity in the third–and took it. He was counted out.

Came to the stand Alexander Dumas Watson, dubbed Watson Jones for fighting purposes by McCoy. Alexander Dumas Watson-Jones could fill a book with his stories. The former California State light heavyweight champion sobbingly testified he "took dives" in bouts against Joe Kahut, Jimmy Bivins, Harry Matthews and Pat McCafferty.

Branding himself "just McCoy's little colored boy," Watson said, "I loved that fat man but he jobbed me. He was the only one I could go to and get a 'buck' from. McCoy was the boss man. He gave me whatever percentage he wanted to. I never got higher than 25%." (Jones said his biggest purse was $4,100 of which he got $1,200.)

Jones outlined the pay-off procedure. He said he would fight on Tuesday nights and pick up his share of the purse on Wednesday. He said he would then "deliver the purse to McCoy's apartment and put it on the bed there. That's where he swindled the fighters."

All the fights which Jones claimed were "fixed" took place more than five years ago and the statute of limitations would prevent prosecution. He was more careful in his statements about a fight he had last February with Zora Folley–he was kayoed in the third–in Phoenix, Ariz.

The stocky Negro boxer said he needed $125 and accepted the Phoenix fight offer. He added, "I went there and made an appearance and got out." In other testimony the phrase "got out" had been used to describe "dives." Jones, however, did not amplify.

Now, throwing a fight is no easy, slipshod matter. There seems to be degrees of professionals when it comes to making the "dive" look good.

Jones, who considers himself one of the top men in that line, explained. "A real good artist like myself can make it look so good you can't possibly tell. Some fighters can do it and some can't. As long as you get hit on the chin the fans can't tell how hard the punch was."

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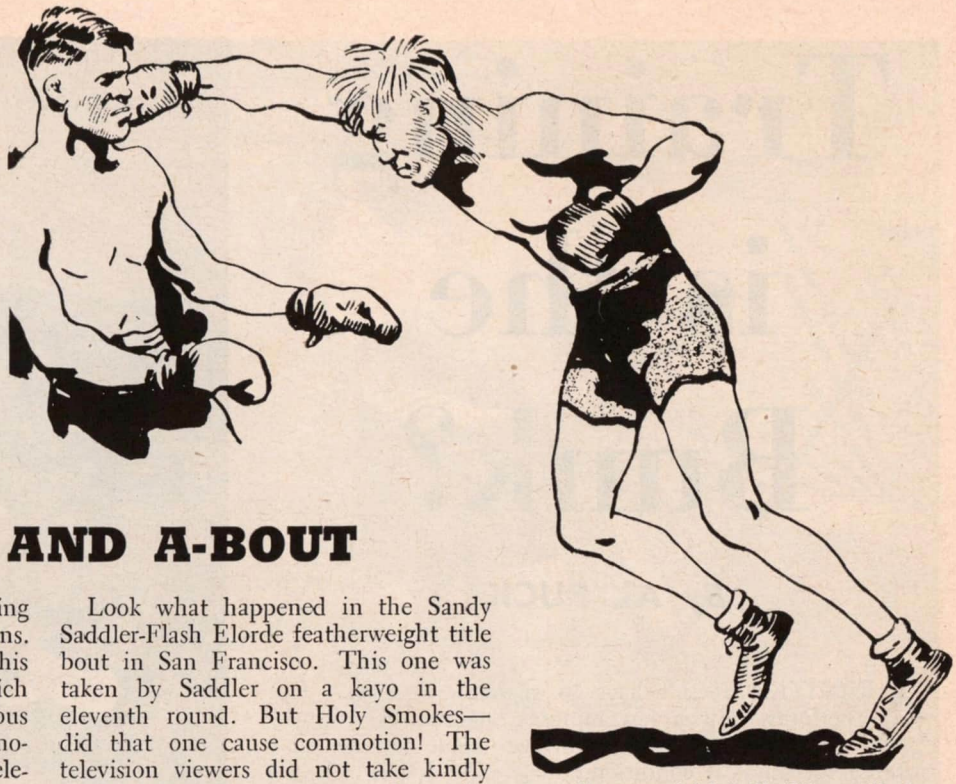
By BOB ALLEN



A-ROUND AND A-BOUT

THIS, surely, will go down in boxing history as The Year of Decisions.

In all parts of the world boxing this season has produced matches which have provoked controversy. Various Commission headquarters and promoters' offices have been flooded with telegrams, letters, and post cards expressing dissatisfaction, indignant protest, condemnation.

Much of this is to be expected, of course, at least in this country where you have a television audience numbering perhaps 25,000,000. With this size there are bound to be a couple million who are left unhappy by the result. This is true even when a match is fairly one-sided. When you come up with a real close fight in which not only the judges and referee but also the boxing experts at ringside disagree, then the protests really pour in. That's when you have charges of corruption among officials and charges of collusion and underworld fixing and fake. That's when you have demands for investigations—local, State, and Federal.

The Johnny Saxton-Carmen Basilio welterweight title bout in Chicago brought forth a tremendous volume of protest from those who thought Basilio should have been awarded the decision which went to Saxton. This was true notwithstanding the fact that the official vote was unanimous and that some of the experts at ringside thought Saxton did win.

Then there were the Carmelo Costa-Baby Vasquez bout at the Garden in New York, Cisco Andrade-Jimmy Carter in Chicago, Ray Drake-Hardy Smallwood at the St. Nicholas Arena in New York, and, on an international level, Kid Gavilan-Peter Waterman in London (won by Waterman and causing a riot), and Fred Galiano-Orlando Zuletta in Milan (won by Galiano and also provoking a riot), and many others.

Now maybe you think the ideal solution would be for all fights to end in knockouts. Ain't so.

Look what happened in the Sandy Saddler-Flash Elorde featherweight title bout in San Francisco. This one was taken by Saddler on a kayo in the eleventh round. But Holy Smokes—did that one cause commotion! The television viewers did not take kindly to Sandy's style and sent sizzling telegrams and letters of protest.

Well, as the French say: *C'est le Boxe!*

According to a story from Wellington, New Zealand, the boxing council of New Zealand has ruled that a boxer who suffers a broken jaw will be suspended for life. This is one of a series of special measures designed to guard against fatal accidents in the ring. Such action is commendable but we would remind the New Zealand boxing council that Lou Ambers twice won the world lightweight championship AFTER his jaw had been broken in a bout with Fritzie Zivic. Other boxers among them Raton Macias, Mexico's N.B.A. bantam king have performed with success after returning to action following like accidents. There is really no connection between a broken jaw and a glass chin.

The managerial woes of L. C. Morgan, Ohio lightweight, recalls the story of the early Max Baer who sold 110 per cent of his contract to various individuals. Ancil Hoffman finally gathered up all the pieces and managed Max to the heavyweight championship.

John L. Sullivan, English middleweight now competing in this country, bears a proud boxing name. Now there is another British subject campaigning in England and also bearing a distinguished fistic cognomen. This one is Sam Langford, a light-heavyweight from Nigeria.

An amusing sidelight to the explosive boxing investigation in California came when the manager of Don Jordan, lightweight, took the stand. It was revealed that this gentleman, known to Coast boxing people as Harry Kabakoff, is really named Melville Himmelfarb.

We can understand why a man named Harry Kabakoff could conceivably want to change his name to Melville Himmelfarb but why would a person with a perfectly fine boxing name like Melville Himmelfarb (say that again—Melville Himmelfarb) want to change it to Harry Kabakoff?

"It's an honest living and it ain't stealing." Such was Joe Louis's reply to a reporter's question as to why he had signed up with a wrestling promoter.

Much prominence has been given to this Louis quote. It has been made the subject of many a column throughout the country.

Most writers were appalled. They needn't have been. However ignoble Joe's present occupation may seem in the light of his long and glorious ring career, the fact remains that Joe has a right to perform with the wrestlers if he wishes to do so. It may not be an illustrious calling but, as Joe says, it ain't stealing.

Throughout his ring career, Louis had the happy faculty of saying the right thing at the right time. Who can forget his famous line, spoken at a Navy Relief Society show in Madison Square Garden: "We can't lose because we are on God's side."

And how about the time he boxed Buddy Baer and turned over his entire purse ($68,000) to Navy Relief?

"How does it feel to fight for nothing?" a reporter asked.

"I ain't fightin' for nothin'," Louis replied, *"I'm fightin' for my country and that's really fightin' for somethin'."*

And, strictly on a boxing level, there was the time Louis was told that Billy

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Training is the Bunk?

By AL BUCK

A FIGHTER doesn't have to train, or does he? He performs only a few minutes, and makes a quick dollar. A soft touch, provided talent can be substituted for physical condition.

"*It can't,*" said Whitey Bimstein, veteran trainer. "*If a fighter isn't in shape, he has'nt talent.*"

Bimstein speaks from years of experience, but there have been playboy champions. Harry Greb heads the list. Then there are Madcap Maxie Baer and Maxie-Slapsie Rosenbloom. And nobody in boxing will ever forget Looney Lew Jenkins.

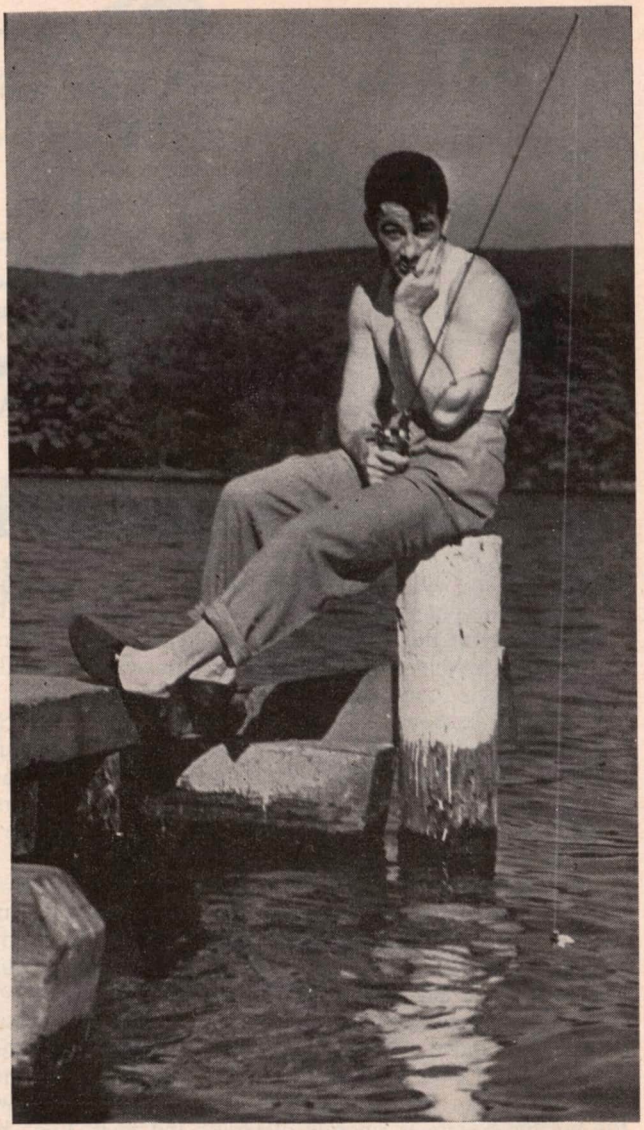
"*Jenkins trained for only three fights,*" said Willie Ketchum, who first trained, and then managed the world lightweight champion. "*He trained, and he trained hard for his fights with Lou Ambers, Tippy Larkin and Pete Lello. An do you know why? He didn't like their managers.*

"*He fought and won the lightweight title from Ambers, but to Lew the fight was with Al Weill. When he knocked out Pete Lello, he was settling a fancied score with Issy Kline. Aganst Tippy Larkin, Lew was out to get Angelo Pucci. Why didn't he like them? I don't know. I don't think Jenkins knew.*"

"*I had Jenkins fighting Primo Flores at the Bronx Coliseum,*" Billy Brown, Garden matchmaker, recalled. "*Lew showed up for that one full of beer. He staggered into the club and Flores' brother saw him. Primo was elated when they told him Lew was a little the worse for wear.*

"*I'll save you the trouble of looking in the record book. Jenkins knocked out Flores in five rounds.*"

"*The second time Jenkins fought Ambers he wasn't mad at Weill. It was a non-title bout and he didn't take the fight seriously,*" Ketchum said. "*After the weighing in, we*



Rocky Graziano, shown here fishing was a tough guy to get to train until he hit the gravy train. Then he really got serious about conditioning.

Lew Jenkins (right) knocking out Lou Ambers in their second meeting, a non-title contest. Jenkins arrived at Madison Square Garden that night loaded with beer but his amazing right hand punch pulled him through.

went out to eat. It was snowing, but Lew said he wanted to take a walk before he ate his meal. Well, I didn't see him until he arrived at the Garden that night.

"Lew had had a few beers too many. He was late and General John J. Phelan was the Commissioner. He came into the dressing room, and because he liked Jenkins since they were both soldiers, he believed the story I told him about having trouble getting a taxi because of the snow and Lew was spared a spanking.

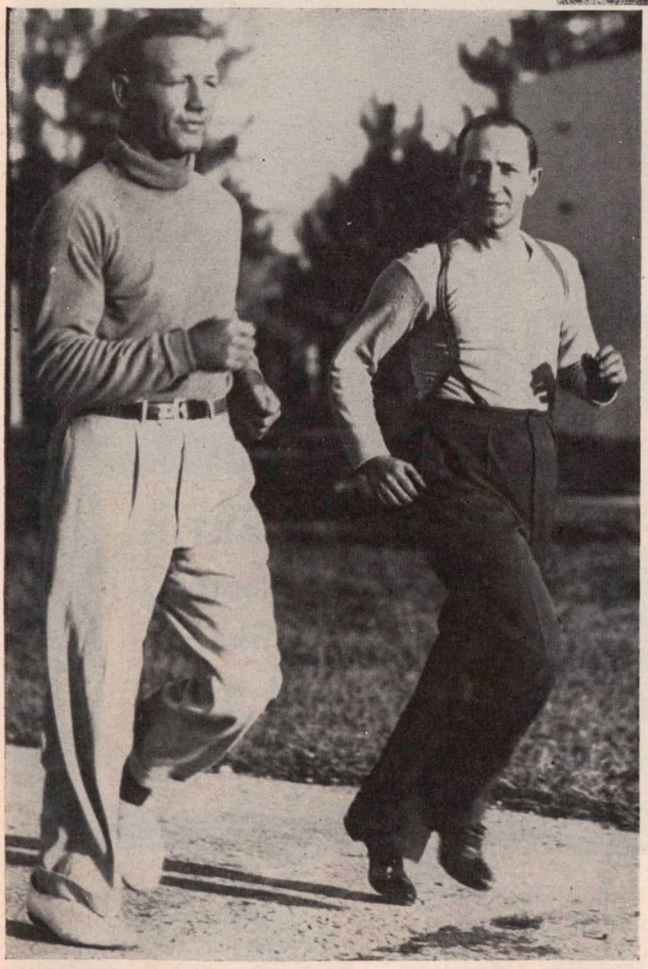
"The General advised Jenkins to lay down and rest. That was the one thing I didn't want him to do. As soon as Phelan left, I yanked Lew to his feet and roused him around. He went in and knocked out Ambers again.

"Jenkins is in the Army now, a life he always liked. He was a soldier before he was a fighter, you know. In the recent Far Eastern conflict he was decorated for gallantry in action in Korea," Ketchum said. "They are making a picture about Rocky Graziano's life. I don't understand why some motion picture producer doesn't shoot Jenkins' life. "His is really a thrilling one."

What about Graziano? Did he train?

"In the beginning we had trouble getting Rocky in the gym," said Bernstein, who trained the world middleweight champion for his title

Tony Galento, who would rather train on beer, is shown here paying for his sins in his attempt to sweat himself into condition.



Maxie Rosenbloom, as he looked during his reign as the light heavyweight champion of the world. Here he is doing roadwork with his trainer Frankie Doyle on a Miami road. Maxie favored doing his roadwork on a dance floor.

winning effort with Tony Zale. "But once he started to make money, I had no trouble getting Graziano to work. Rocky can be very serious about money.

"I have heard it said, and seen it written that Hurricane Jackson trains too much. Don't you believe it. Hurricane has so much energy he has to work it off. If he didn't train the way he does, he couldn't fight.

"Louis (Kid) Kaplan was like that. He was meeting Bruce Flowers and the day before the fight he came into the gym and worked for 15 rounds. The morning of the fight Denny McMahon, his manager, called me from the hotel. He was having trouble with Kaplan. He wanted to go into the gym and workout.

"Nothing would satisfy him unless he did have a workout, so I picked him up at 10 o'clock, and on the way to weight in, we stopped off at the gymnasium. Louis got into his togs and shadowed boxed and punched the bag for 10 rounds. That night he beat Flowers.

"Johnny Dundee use to train late. He came into the gym about 3.30 p.m. one day and asked if there was anybody with whom to box. The only fighter still there was Ray Neuman, a heavyweight. Dundee said he'd box Neuman three rounds, and Neuman was willing.

"After they boxed three rounds, Johnny suggested they go six. At the end of six, he suggested six more. Finally after he had boxed Neuman 15 rounds, he said he would like to go 20. And that's what they boxed, 20 rounds in the gym. "Imagine some one doing that today!"

"Dundee was like that," said Jack Curley, the keeper of the gate at Stillman's gym. "We didn't have a clock in those days, and he would ask me to tell him when a half hour was up. Then he would start to skip rope. Sometimes I would forget to tell him and Johnny would go on skipping rope for an hour. The same thing would happen when he was punching the bag.

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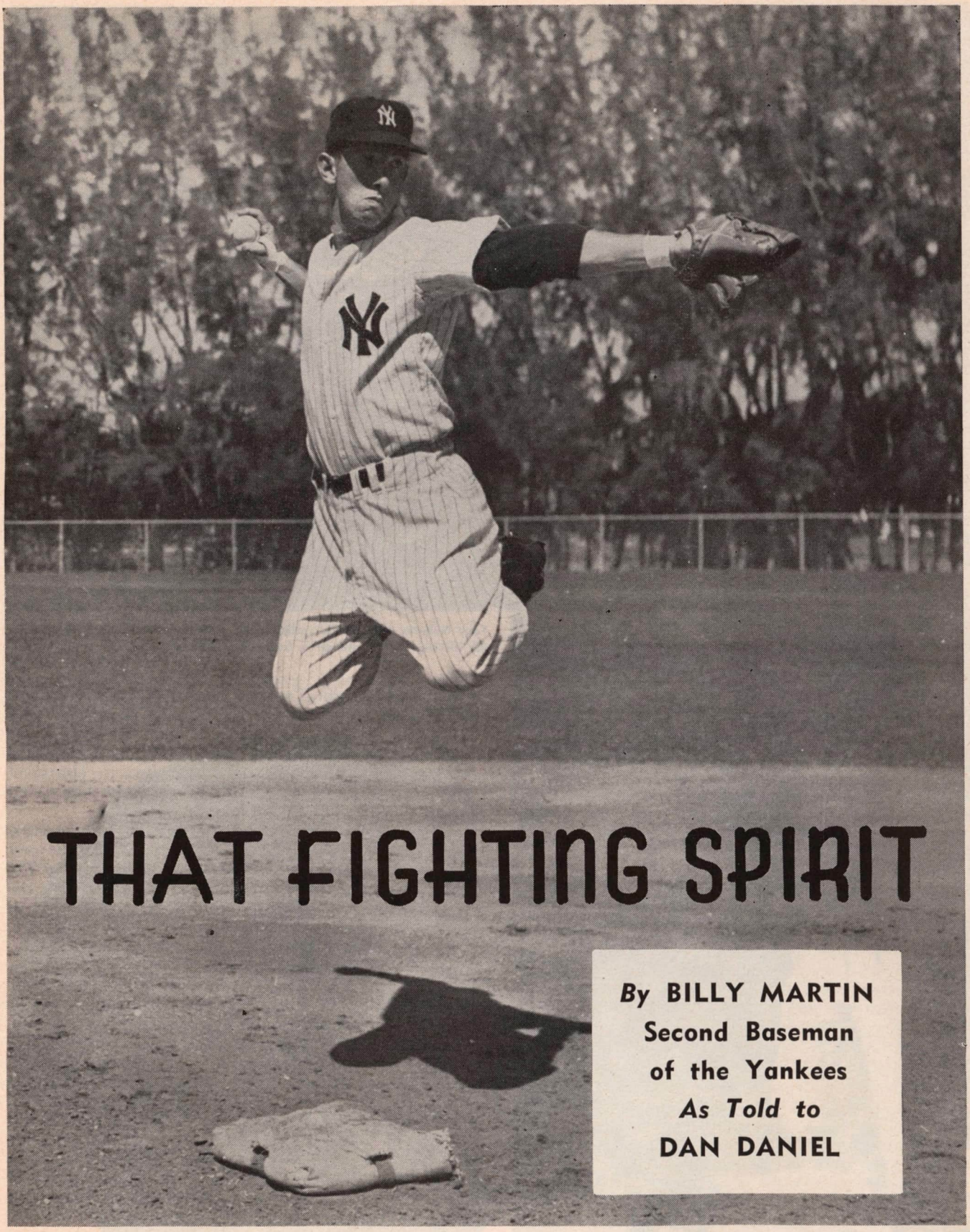

THAT FIGHTING SPIRIT

By BILLY MARTIN
Second Baseman
of the Yankees
As Told to
DAN DANIEL

I HAVE gained a reputation around the American League as a scrappy ball player. Some think I am even over-aggressive, looking for a fight.

But, as a matter of fact, I am a quiet sort of guy. I never look for a fight. If somebody tries to impose on me, if I am challenged, I don't run. I will stand up to him. But I am not a rowdy ball player.

All of which brings up the question, "What is aggressiveness on the diamond—what is cockiness in the ring?"

I came very near being a professional boxer. The section in which I was brought up, in Berkeley, Cal., was not what you might call the best part of town. You had to fight or be stepped on.

I never was very heavy, I weigh only about 164 right

now, and I'll be 28 on May 16, which certainly means I have attained full growth, physically and, I hope, mentally, too.

The bigger kids figured me for a Patsy, and I was in plenty of fights. I never ran away, and in time got to be a pretty fair lad with the fists.

I fought in amateur ranks, and I fought in the streets. I was 17, weighing 140, when I got into my biggest battle.

There was a guy around Berkeley who figured he was very good. He had won the Golden Gloves in the welterweight class, and he was quite a bully. He picked on a pal of mine, and I told him off.

"Want to make something of it?" he challenged, and I said, "Yes. How about doing this the right way? I'll take you on in a ring, with gloves."

Well, it was done the right way. We met in the gymnasium of St. Mary's College at Moraga.

I gave that lad a shellacking and knocked him out in the second round.

This created quite a stir around that area, and a couple of professional managers got after me.

They said they were sure I would make a good professional, and offered me interesting terms.

I was giving the boxing career a lot of thought, but I also was playing baseball. I liked the diamond better than the ring. But I needed dough. I was swinging toward boxing, when the Oakland club of the Pacific Coast League gave me my baseball chance.

I knew the trainer and the grounds keeper in the Oakland park, and through them I got a chance to speak with Casey Stengel, who was managing the Oaks.

Casey let me have a uniform, and after I had worked out around second and third, he told me that he believed I could make a living playing ball.

That made the decision for me. The Oakland club sent me to Idaho Falls, and then it was Phoenix, and late in the 1947 season, Casey recalled me to Oakland, and I knew then that my ideas about boxing were out the window.

I knew a lot of fighters out on the Coast, and their reported earnings and their popularity made me eager to go into the ring. That is, until Stengel told me he believed I could play ball.

How would I have made out as a boxer? I think I would have gone places, because I was strong, wiry, fast on my feet and could punch.

That brings me back to the question, what is aggressiveness and what is cockiness? What is hustle and what is looking for a fight?

As you know, baseball can be rugged, as rugged as boxing. It can be especially rugged around second base, where there is a lot of body contact.

The runner coming into you hard, with spikes free and easy, to prevent your doubling the batter, forces you to protect yourself.

There is a difference between trying to break up the double play, and going out to cut you up, deliberately.

There is a rule which is supposed to protect the infielder against the cutters and bruisers, but when did you last see it enforced, if at all?

If you insist on your rights, if you protect yourself against unsportsmanlike conduct by the runner, you become known as a "club fighter."

The fans pay to see a hard contest, and expect you to go all out. I try to do this, without picking a scrap. But there are times when you can't help yourself.

I have been in a lot of fights, not of my own choosing, on ball fields from Idaho Falls to Boston.

But two of them stand out in my memory, one with Jim Piersall, of the Red Sox, in Boston, the other with Clint

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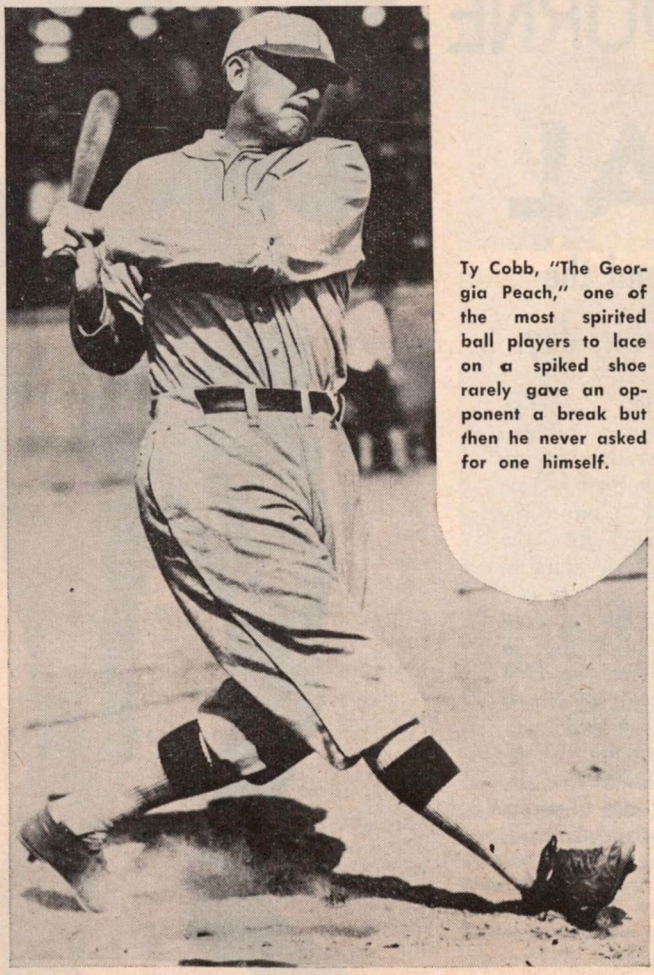
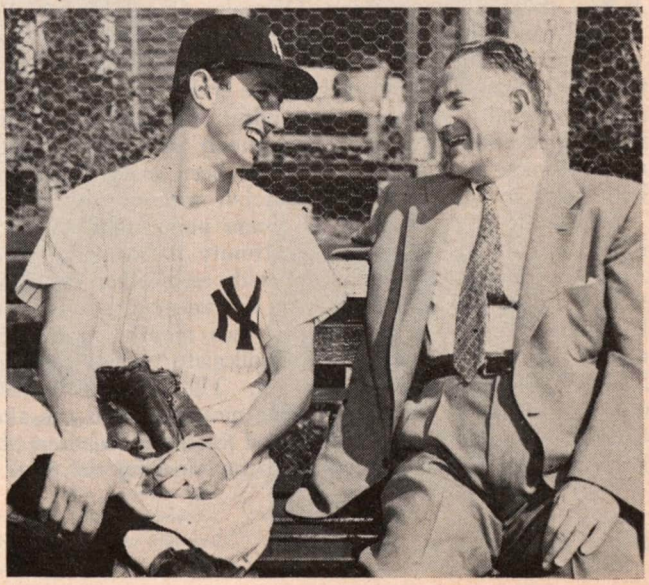
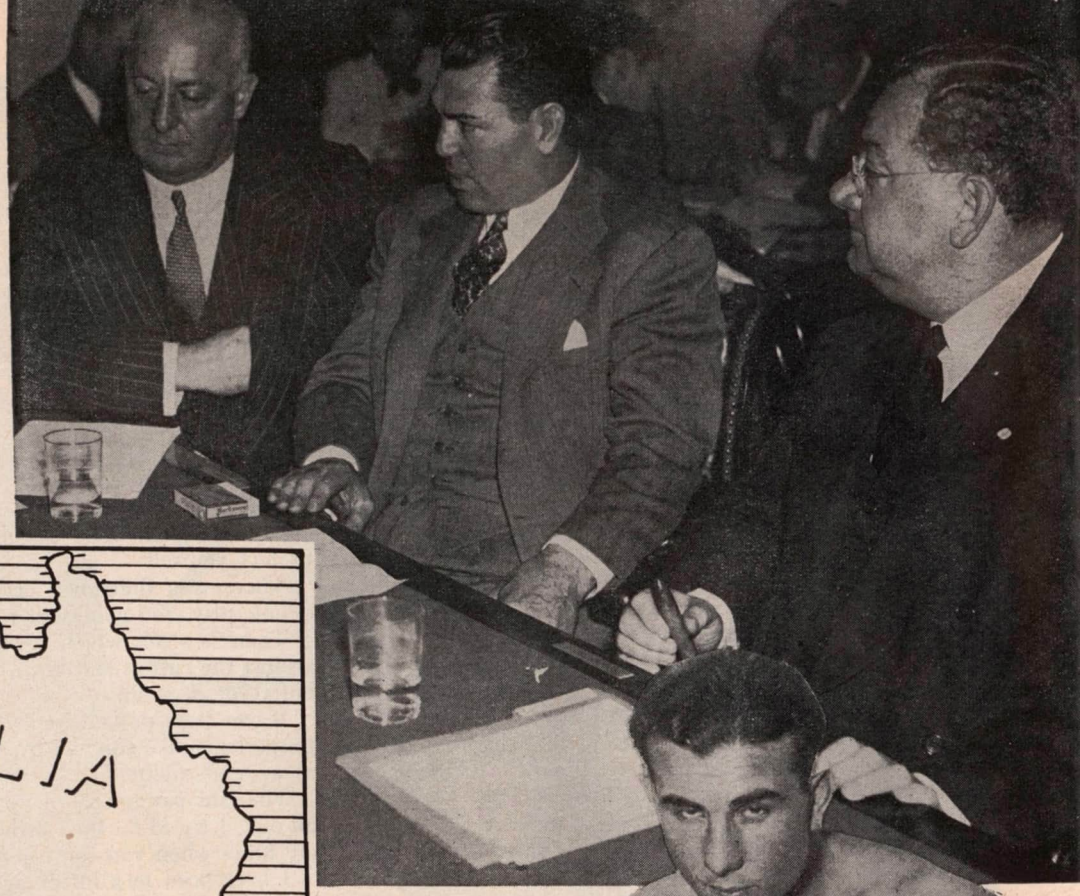


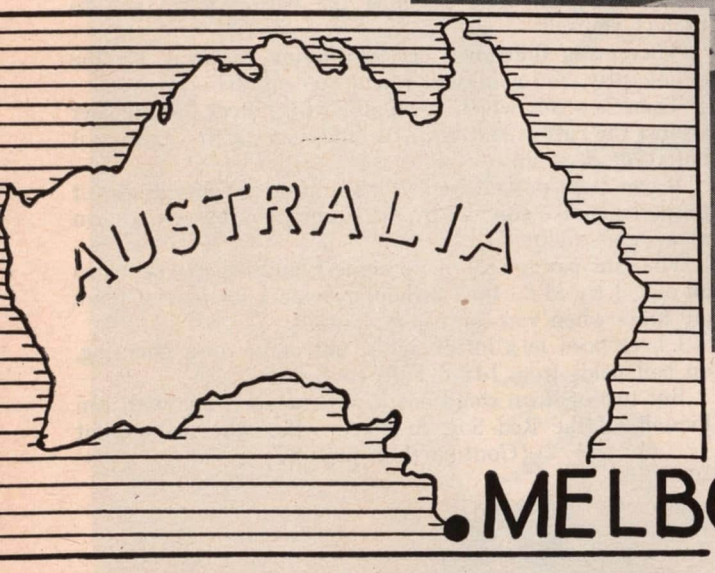
Ty Cobb, "The Georgia Peach," one of the most spirited ball players to lace on a spiked shoe rarely gave an opponent a break but then he never asked for one himself.

(Left) Billy Evans, one of the best of the old time umpires who on one occasion battled it out with Ty Cobb under the stands. (Below) Billy Martin, good amateur boxer before turning to baseball for a living talks over "That Fighting Spirit," with Dan Daniel baseball and fight expert.





A famous trio of sportsmen (left to right) Gen. John Reed Kilpatrick of Madison Square Garden; Jack Dempsey and the late Warren Barbour at a conference.
Lower right—Fidel La Barba, a member of the Paris Olympic team of 1924 who later won the world flyweight title.



THEIR GOAL

With the Olympics in Australia just around the corner the amateurs are tuning up for the big day.

With the approaching Olympic Games in Melbourne, Australia, American athletes in all fields are tuning up for the tryouts that will decide the lucky winners of the trip Down Under. With competition keen to corner the market on the cream of the nation's basketball players and the scarcity of top boxing talent, the American Olympic Committee is doing its utmost to keep the simon pures from being lured into the money ranks. Big inducements have been made to Intercollegiate stars in both fields to become professionals but without success.

Melbourne is the goal of all simon pures right now. The lure of gold is insufficient. Proud of an opportunity to wear the Stars and Stripes in Australia, the athletes are vieing with each other for a place on the U.S. team. Particularly true is this of the amateur boxers, almost all of whom have been competing for the past two months in Golden Gloves tournaments the country over, in intercollegiate competition and finally in the National championships in Boston. The winners have qualified for the Olympic tryouts in October. In the meantime it is the aim of the Olympic Committee to send the winners abroad to clash with boxers of England, Ireland, France, Italy and other countries before making the final choice.

By **NAT FLEISCHER**

Already the rush is on to obtain the services of our outstanding simon pures for professional boxing, but in each case where a good prospect has been approached, the answer has been, "let's wait until after the Olympic Games are over." As of now, Uncle Sam hasn't too sturdy a lot of amateurs from whom to make the selections for the Melbourne competition.

As of this writing, the boxer who looms as one of the best prospects in the country in Vince Ferguson of the University of Wisconsin, a New York middleweight who holds the Metropolitan crown and is a member of the Fighting Sixty-Ninth Regiment. Unlike other amateurs, Vince has received his training by boxing against tough pro opposition in his gymnasium workouts and has absorbed many of the finer points of the game through them. Should he win in the Olympic tryouts and make the Olympic team, he will most likely prove another Floyd Patterson.

Though it is not the intention of the Amateur Athletic Union or the Olympic Committee to develop or to encourage the professional branch of pugilism, there is always bound to emerge "pures" in almost every division who sooner or later turn to money chasers. It is inevitable, especially those who win in the Nationals or in the Olympics. It has ever been thus.

It has been the trend since the A.A.U. championships got under way in 1888. Of these who competed in the Helsinki Olympic Games of 1952, more than 70 percent turned pros. The one who has made the greatest headway, of course, is Floyd Patterson who is likely to be battling for the world heavyweight crown before long.

While the temptation to become a money chaser looms strong with almost every amateur boxer of ability, there are plenty who have not yielded to the lure. Foremost among the amateurs who turned against lucrutive offers to become professionals, are Colonel Eddie Eagan, now an active member of the U. S. Olympic Committee and former Chairman of the New York State Athletic Commission, and Warren Barbour, former U. S. Senator from New Jersey. Barbour never was an Olympic competitor but Eagan won the heavyweight championship at Antwerp in 1920.

Each came through the fire in sturdy competition, Barbour winning the heavyweight national crown in 1910 and Eagan the same title in 1919, that victory getting him into the Olympic Games. I recall the A.A.U. competition in Mechanics Hall in the Hub on both occasions, having covered the tournament for the New York Press when Barbour competed and for the New York Telegram when Col. Eagan gained the top laurels. Each went through the toughest kind of opposition and came through with flying colors.

EAGAN DEFEATED FOUR RIVALS TO WIN CROWN

Eddie had to beat four rivals before he gained the National laurels and when he went to Antwerp the competition was just as stiff. Though a student at Yale at the time of the Nationals, Eddie represented the Denver Athletic Club, Colorado City being his birthplace and where he started his boxing career.

On the opening night Eagan made the grade in the 175 pound class but on the second night he lost the decision to Al Roche, the light heavyweight champion. However, following a rest, he pleaded for a chance to take part in the heavyweight sector in which he also was entered and this was granted. In the final round he whipped Jim Tully, who later became one of America's greatest novelists, his stories centering mostly around boxing.

Barbour, like Eagan, was an intense follower of the sport. He entered the 1910 national tournament as the behest of Jack Cooper, who was one of President Theodore Roosevelt's sparring partners in Washington and one of America's best boxing instructors. Barbour had to be coaxed into it, but he decided to test himself after experts like Jim Corbett, Cooper and Bob Edgren, Sports Editor, great hammer thrower and amateur boxer, had told him how good he was.

Barbour got Charlie White, famous referee, as his chief second and on the night of the competition he disposed first of Ken Salisbury, New England champion in the semi-final and in the final defeated a tough 'un in Joe Burke, who earlier had stopped Emory Payne the man who had won the nationals in 1902, 1903, 1905, and 1907 and was the equal of our best professionals at the time. Barbour knocked out Burke in the final round to win the title.

Doc Kearns, who later managed Jack Dempsey and

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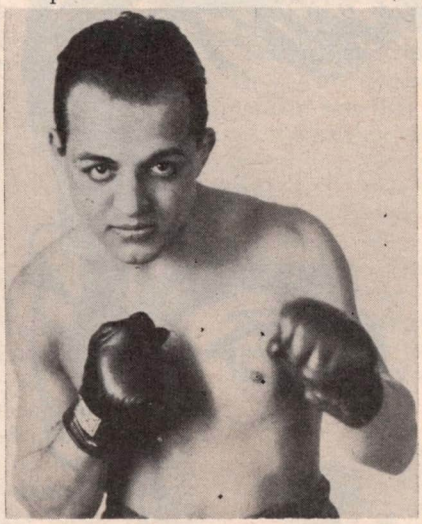

(Right)—Jackie Fields, who gained the featherweight crown in the Paris Olympic Games and then went on to win the world welter title. Below—Col. Eddie Eagan winner of the light heavyweight Olympic title at Antwerp in 1920. (Above)—Frankie Genaro, won an Olympic flyweight title and later held the world pro crown.

WHAT PRICE RECORDS?

In Determining a Fighter's Real Ability, the Calibre of the Opposition Counts as Much as Any Winning or Losing Percentage

By TED CARROLL

ANY attempt to determine Rocky Marciano's rating among the heavyweight champions of the past, is guaranteed to kick off a rip-roaring controversy of such emotional heat that the instigator soon regrets he ever brought the subject up.

It all hinges around a matter of record—or records. The Marciano men—and they are fanatical in their allegiance to the current heavyweight champion—point to the all-winning record of the Brockton Blockbuster and want to know how you can rate the Rock anywhere but at the top among the greats, on the strength of it. The other side points to the same record but calls it a masterpiece of managerial manipulation on the part of wily Al Weill, and in an opposite vein, base their criticisms of the powerful champion upon it. Thus the same record serves the purpose of opposite opinions.

This all brings up the question of what price records in evaluating the greatness of any fighter. Tony Canzoneri, for example, was beaten more than twenty times according to the Ring Record Book, but who questions

his greatness? Very few if any. In his particular case the cognoscenti are well aware that in his long career Tony Canzoneri took on all comers. Rarely if ever did he have a "soft touch" and this is the prime consideration in appraising his worth.

On the other hand Billy Graham, about as flattering an example of a professional boxer as you can find for high class character, conduct, and personality, has one of the most impressive records, average-wise, in the book. The gentlemanly Graham lost only 15 of 126 bouts, but when

...TIGER JONES IS ALWAYS READY FOR ANYBODY..!.

the names in his list are checked against those in the histories of such as Bobby Dykes, for instance, the futility of ranking boxers on won and lost percentages becomes obvious.

DYKES' OPPOSITION RATES AMONG THE BEST

Dykes may never wind up in Boxing's Hall of Fame, but he encountered opposition worthy of a Hall of Fame boxer during his decade in the ring. The tall Texan, who was thin to the point of emaciation, never seemed to care who was in the other corner, so long as the cash was in the box office. He missed few of the best welters and light middles of his period, and if he is as well off in his adopted home of Miami, Florida, as he is said to be, more power to him. He really deserves it. Sugar Ray Robinson, Johnny Bratton, Kid Gavilan, Joey Giardello, Tiger Jones, Holly Mims, Willie Pastrano, Gil Turner, Pierre Langlois, Ernie Durando, Lester Felton, Joey Giambra, Joey Miceli, are typical of the names that dominate the list of the men Bobby Dykes met in the ring.

He didn't win all of his fights, but his cagy style and bulls-eye punching gave them all plenty of trouble. He is typical of the campaigners of the past whose true ability is not reflected in the records since they were under continual pressure due to the sternness of the opposition.

Such a one was the late Johnny Risko, the old Cleveland Rubber Man of a generation ago. He missed none of the topnotchers of his time beginning with Gene Tunney and running right on through Sharkey, Stribling, Schmeling, Godfrey, Delaney, Berlenbach, Loughran, Baer, Paulino and the rest. Old timers ask, could any heavyweight, Marciano included, have maintained an undefeated slate against such opponents?

Most ring students are of the opinion that no fighter of the past twenty-five years encountered tougher opposition than ex-light heavyweight king Joey Maxim on his way up. Maxim really learned the art of self defense the hard way. He had to, to stay alive! Or so it would seem from a rundown of his record.

He was hardly out of the prelim ranks before he was tackling such terribles as Lloyd Marshall, at that time one of the world's greatest fighters; Ez Charles, who as a middleweight was a rip-slashing, savage battler; "Hatchet Man" Curtis Sheppard and "duration" heavyweight king Jimmy Bivins. Mixed in with these formidables, were such kegs of dynamite as Bob Satterfield, Nate Bolden, Booker Beckwith, and Bob Foxworth, all able to end hostilities with just one wallop. Maxim went on to go on to five meetings with Charles; three with Archie Moore and three with Jersey Joe Walcott. All were top pugilists when he met them.

Gus Lesnevich, for the U. S. light heavy title; Bob Murphy when the sailor was a kayo sensation, Freddy Mills for the world crown, Sugar Ray Robinson and Floyd Patterson, round out as rugged a roster as can be found in the Record Book.

Still, Maxim won't be recalled as among the greats when the years have fled, while others of less sturdy fistic background, undoubtedly will.

TIGES JONES ANOTHER WHO FACED KEEN OPPOSITION

By the same token, Tiger Jones will never be ranked with Greb and Ketchel, but the Yonkers campaigner didn't become a hero of the TV lanes fighting soft ones or no-decision bouts. Future generations, noting the number of losses in the Tiger's record, may incorrectly infer that he was a toothless tabby cat, yet the names on the list tell another story. They were the top notchers of the time.

His match with Charley Humez is a typical example. He was the underdog going into this battle and the general opinion was that the affair would be a hard workout for the Frenchman and nothing more. Charley had a formidable record but the men Jones had faced were far tougher opponents. The Tiger had faced all the top men listed in this publication's ratings whereas those whom Humez had fought, were mostly men of lesser fighting ability.

Humez undoubtedly put up a good fight though he had a slow start, but in losing to Tiger Jones, he proved that winning records in evaluating a fighter often toss one off the beam. The calibre of the opponents faced really show the true value of a boxer.

...FROM THE BEGINNING.. THE NAMES IN JOEY MAXIM'S RECORD WERE THE TOUGHEST IN THE RING..!

Years ago, presidential candidate Al Smith became famous for the expression, "Let's take a look at the record" but in the case of pugilists this doesn't always apply.

The Marciano defenders point out that Rocky started out as a heavyweight unlike some others such as Ez Charles, Tunney, Braddock, and because of this, Rocky couldn't be expected to flash so formidable an early list of foes as they did since heavyweights are a comparatively

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By NAT FLEISCHER

WORLD RATINGS

FOR THE MONTH ENDING APRIL 19TH

HEAVYWEIGHTS
(Over 175 pounds)

World Champion
ROCKY MARCIANO, Brockton, Mass.

1—**ARCHIE MOORE,** San Diego, Calif.
2—**TOMMY JACKSON,** Far Rockaway, N. Y.
3—**BOB BAKER,** Pittsburgh, Pa.
4—**JOHN HOLMAN,** Chicago, Ill.
5—**JOHNNY SUMMERLIN,** Detroit, Mich.
6—**WILLIE PASTRANO,** New Orleans, La.
7—**HAROLD CARTER,** Linden, N. J.
8—**BOB SATTERFIELD,** Chicago, Ill.
9—**EDDIE MACHEN,** Fresno, Calif.
10—**NINO VALDES,** Cuba

LIGHT HEAVYWEIGHTS
(Not over 175 pounds)

World Champion
ARCHIE MOORE, San Diego, Calif.

1—**FLOYD PATTERSON,** Brooklyn, N. Y.
2—**GERHARD HECHT,** Germany
3—**CHUCK SPIESER,** Lansing, Mich.
4—**YOLANDE POMPEY,** Trinidad, BWI.
5—**HANS STRETZ,** Germany
6—**WILLI HOEPNER,** Germany
7—**JOEY MAXIM,** Cleveland, O.
8—**HAROLD JOHNSON,** Philadelphia, Pa.
9—**RON BARTON,** England
10—**MARTY MARSHALL,** Detroit, Mich.

MIDDLEWEIGHTS
(Not over 160 pounds)

World Champion
RAY ROBINSON, New York, N. Y.

1—**CARL (BOBO) OLSON,** Honolulu, T. H.
2—**MILO SAVAGE,** Salt Lake City, Utah
3—**CHARLEY HUMEZ,** France
4—**BOBBY BOYD,** Chicago, Ill.
5—**RALPH JONES,** Yonkers, N. Y.
6—**EDUARDO LAUSSE,** Argentina
7—**GENE FULLMER,** West Jordan, Utah
8—**ROCKY CASTELLANI,** Cleveland, O.
9—**CHARLEY JOSEPH,** New Orleans, La.
10—**ARTIE TOWNE,** New York, N. Y.

WELTERWEIGHTS
(Not over 147 pounds)

World Champion
JOHNNY SAXTON, Brooklyn, N. Y.

1—**CARMEN BASILIO,** Syracuse, N. Y.
2—**TONY DeMARCO,** Boston, Mass.
3—**ISAAC LOGART,** Cuba
4—**VINCE MARTINEZ,** Paterson, N. J.
5—**VIRGIL AKINS,** St. Louis, Mo.
6—**ART ARAGON,** Los Angeles, Calif.
7—**RAMON FUENTES,** Los Angeles, Calif.
8—**GEORGE BARNES,** Australia
9—**JOE MICELI,** New York, N. Y.
10—**EMILIO MARCONI,** Italy

LIGHTWEIGHTS
(Not over 135 pounds)

World Champion
WALLACE (BUD) SMITH, Cincinnati, O.

1—**DUILLO LOI,** Italy
2—**RALPH DUPAS,** New Orleans, La.
3—**JAMES CARTER,** New York, N. Y.
4—**CISCO ANDRADE,** Compton, Calif.
5—**JOHNNY GONSALVES,** Oakland, Calif.
6—**LUDWIG LIGHTBURN,** British Honduras
7—**LARRY BOARDMAN,** Marlboro, Conn.
8—**FRANKIE RYFF,** New York, N. Y.
9—**L. C. MORGAN,** Youngstown, O.
10—**KENNY LANE,** Muskegon, Mich.

FEATHERWEIGHTS
(Not over 126 pounds)

World Champion
SANDY SADDLER, New York, N. Y.

1—**FRED GALIANA,** Spain
2—**HOGAN (KID) BASSEY,** Nigeria
3—**CHERIF HAMIA,** France
4—**CARMELO COSTA,** Brooklyn, N. Y.
5—**MARTIN RODRIGUEZ,** Cuba
6—**FLASH ELORDE,** Philippines
7—**RAY FAMECHON,** France
8—**PAUL JORGENSEN,** Port Arthur, Texas
9—**CIRO MORASEN,** Cuba
10—**VICTOR (SONNY) LEON,** Venezuela

BANTAMWEIGHTS
(Not over 118 pounds)

World Champion
ROBERT COHEN, France

1—**MARIO D'AGATA,** Italy
2—**RATON MACIAS,** Mexico
3—**BILLY PEACOCK,** Los Angeles, Calif.
4—**LITLE CEZAR,** Philippines
5—**JOSE LOPEZ,** Mexico
6—**ALPHONSE HALIMI,** France
7—**PIERO ROLLO,** Italy
8—**PETER KEENAN,** Scotland
9—**JEAN RENARD,** Belgium
10—**KEVIN JAMES,** Australia

FLYWEIGHTS
(Not over 112 pounds)

World Champion
PASCUAL PEREZ, Argentina

1—**MEMO DIEZ,** Mexico
2—**DAI DOWER,** Wales
3—**YOUNG MARTIN,** Spain
4—**LEO ESPINOSA,** Philippines
5—**DANNY KID,** Philippines
6—**HITOSHI MISAKO,** Japan
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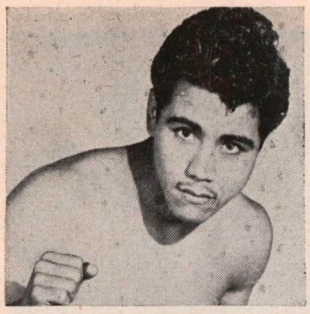
9—**OSCAR SUAREZ,** Cuba
10—**GUY SCHATT,** France



RATON MACIAS
Fighter of the Month

THE Easter holidays and the usual let-down between the indoor and outdoor seasons, brought boxing to a low level during the past month. Few of the top ranking pugilists got into harness, especially in the heavyweight and light heavy divisions. It seems that everyone is waiting for the big shot and while this is going on, the small fry is taking the spotlight.

The four major contests were those in which foreigners took part and the one that stood out most prominently, was that in which Cherif Hamia, the little fireball from Algeria, making his U. S. debut, took the measure of Carmelo Costa, the Number three world ranked featherweight.

Another saw the defeat, a surprise, of Charley Humez, French middleweight, by Ralph Tiger Jones of Yonkers. A third saw the continued rise of Raul Raton Macias of Mexico as a bantam challenger for Robert Cohen's crown, when he knocked out Leo Espinosa of the Philippines in the tenth round. And the last sent Johnny Williams of England back home in defeat, when beaten in Washington in an international match by Tommy Jackson of Far Rockaway, L. I.

To Macias, who since suffering a broken jaw has come up with an excellent record, goes the top honors. He stands out as the "Fighter of the Month."

In the heavyweight division, a new face, Eddie Machen of Fresno, Calif., comes into the ratings for the first time, in ninth spot, on his defeat of Nino Valdes, who drops to tenth. Heinz Neuhaus is out to make room for the newcomer. Due to the activity of Archie Moore, light heavy king, No. 2 man Tommy Jackson doesn't advance on his victory over Johnny Williams.

Two changes take place in the class over which Moore rules with Chuck Spieser advancing to third replacing Yolande Pompey who is now below him. Activity in this class has been scant among the top men.

In the middleweight division, the defeat of Humez by a narrow margin, caused him to drop from second to third with Milo Savage of Salt Lake City upped from third to second and Tiger Jones, who was eighth, gaining three places by his triumph. He is now in fifth post.

Charley Joseph of New Orleans, victor over Georgie Johnson, has advanced from tenth to ninth, exchanging places with inactive Artie Towne of New York. Eduardo Lausse of Argentine, Gene Fullmer of Utah, and Rocky Castellani of Cleveland, each lost one peg in the shuffle.

Art Aragon who has figured prominently in the California investigations, continues his upward climb among the welters. He is now ranked sixth due to knockouts over Danny Giovanelli and Raoul Perez. The only other change in that sector is the shift of Ramon Fuentes of Los Angeles, who exchanged places with Aragon.

The defeat of Ludwig Lightburn of British Honduras by up-and-coming L. C. Morgan of Youngstown, Ohio, enabled Morgan to enter the select circles. He is listed ninth. To make room for him, Don Jordan of Los Angeles, loser to Jimmy Carter, former lightweight king, has been dropped. He was ninth last month.

Lightburn dropped from fourth to sixth changing places with Cisco Andrade of Compton, Cal. Johnny Gonsalves of Oakland, Cal., advanced from seventh to fifth and Frankie Ryff, inactive dropped from fifth to eighth with seventh place going to Larry Boardman of Marlboro, Conn., who scored his second triumph over a champion. First he defeated lightweight king, Buddy Smith and then trounced the featherweight champion, Sandy Saddler. Kenny Lane of Muskegon, Mich., lost two pegs. He's ranked tenth.

European Champion Duilio Loi, victor over Manola Garcia of Spain, retains his post as top challenger.

Hamia's excellent win over Costa, a close one, enabled him to jump from eighth to third, replacing Costa who is listed behind him. Flash Elorde dropped from fourth to sixth and Circo Morasen of Cuba, from sixth to ninth.

Paul Jorgenson of Port Arthur, Texas, coming along nicely, advanced one position, from ninth to eighth and Willie Pep, who though on a long winning streak is fighting non-recognized national talent, has again been dropped from tenth post to make way for Sonny Leon of Venezuela.

The untimely death of Emile Chemama of France who was killed in an auto mishap, enabled Kevin James of Australia, that country's champion, to gain a place in the bantamweight ratings.

Hitoshi Misako, Japanese and Orient flyweight champion, winner over Danny Kid of Manila, has been upped from tenth to sixth while Kid dropped from fourth to fifth.

Leo Espinosa of Manila lost his Number Two place to Dai Dower of Wales. Dower was fifth and Espinosa is now fourth.

Tanny Campo of Manila, Jake Tuli of South Africa, Oscar Suarez of Cuba and Guy Schatt of France each dropped one place, from sixth to tenth, respectively.

Here are the month's results:

PROSPECTS FOR THE MONTH

HEAVYWEIGHTS—Bob Butcher, San Francisco, Calif.
LIGHT HEAVYWEIGHTS—Tommy Simm, Fresno, Cal.
MIDDLEWEIGHTS—Joe Schmolze, St. Paul, Minn.
WELTERWEIGHTS—Dudley Chavis, Philadelphia, Pa.
LIGHTWEIGHTS—Carlos Ortiz, Yucatan, Mexico
FEATHERWEIGHTS—Jimmy Brown, Ireland
BANTAMWEIGHT—Rocky Herrera, Mexico
FLYWEIGHT—Ramon Arias, Venezuela

RESULTS OF THE MONTH

HEAVYWEIGHTS

Nino Valdes lost in ten to Eddie Machen.

Tommy (Hurricane) Jackson blew over Johnny Williams, 4.

Unbeaten Scandinavian Champion Ingemar Johansson posted 14th straight victory by trouncing Hans Friedrich, 10.

Ted Donald was kayoed by light heavy Joe Dorsey, 5.

Harold Carter defeated Bob Satterfield, 10, and Bob Satterfield outpointed Jim Persey, 10.

Willie Pastrano outclassed Johnny Arthur, 10.

Ben Wise turned in a big upset in stopping Yg. Jack Johnson, 4. Willie Bean was stopped in 5, by Light heavyweight Archie Moore. Joe Erskine whipped Gunther Nurnberg, 10.

Antonio Crosia annexed vacant Italian title by outpointing Aldo Pellegrini, 12. Charlie Powell kayoed Charley Que, 3. Hans Friedrich outslugged Robert Eugene, 10.

Oscar Pharo stopped Dan Vanderford, 4. Willi Besmanoff trounced Simon Ayankin, 8.

Claude Chapman kayoed Ray Phillips, 5. Emile Vidal polished off Michel Lapourielle, 5. Bob Woodall stopped Robert Graves, 9. Cal Chambers stopped Andy Walker, 6.

George Tavares halted Charlie Crump, 6. Crowe Peele kayoed Jack Wagner, 6. Roy Bullock stopped Bob O'Brien, 3.

Willie Gulat stopped Claude Rolfe, 5. Gene White kayoed Hubert Khuni, 3. Ted Donald kayoed Johnny Jenkins, 1.

Bob Scrivens kayoed Tomy Busby, 1, and Tommy Fields, 1. Jack Jacobs kayoed Rudy Graves, 2. Bob Butcher kayoed Oscar Tally, 2.

LIGHT HEAVYWEIGHTS

World Champion Archie Moore outpointed Howard King, 10, (non-title), and kayoed Willie Bean, 5 (non-title). Floyd Patterson knocked out Alvin Willims, 3; Alvin had beaten Jimmy Welch, 10.

Holder of middleweight title, Hans Stretz became double German champion by beating Willi Hoepner, 12, for light-heavyweight laurels.

Alex Buxton kayoed Terrence Murphy, 1. Jim Persey outscored Joe Dorsey, 10, and lost to Bob Satterfield in 10. Gerry Tessier defeated Gary Garafola, 8. Donnie Fleeman kayoed Harold Woodson, 1, and Lajuin Burke, 3.

Alessandro D'Ottavio whipped Ahmed Boulgroune, 10. Burke Emery decisioned Jimmy Garcia, 6. Willi Schagen stopped Baby DeVoogd, 7. Sergio Burchi drew with Ivano Fontana, 8.

Dom Baccheschi outfought Cesare Bagnoli, 8. George Kartalian kayoed Johnny Hobart, 5.

Bobby King outpointed Johnny James, 6. Carlton Lincoln kayoed Roque Maravilla, 3.

Joe Leudanski bested Penny Brown, 6. Jackie Richards whipped Bobby Lane, 6. Tommy Villa defeated John Carroll, 6, and Bull Halsey, 6. Terry Rindal scored over Ted McKay, 6.

Chuck Howell beat Charlie Black, 6. Erwin Hack beat Don Ellis, 6. Joe Brown kayoed Vern Jenkins, 2. Eloy Vann decisioned Harold Woodson, 5.

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On his way to New York and chance to regain world middleweight championship, Marcel Cerdan (left) and co-manager Jo Longman board plane which crashed in Azores and began doleful Cycle of Tragedy in French boxing.

7 Years of Tragedy

By JERSEY JONES

Emile Chemama Latest Victim of Grim Specter Haunting French Boxing Stars Since Marcel Cerdan's Death

THE grim specter of Tragedy, which began stalking across the scene when ex-world middleweight champion Marcel Cerdan was killed in 'plane crash in October, 1949, continues to haunt French boxing stars.

For some uncanny reason, it seems to be concentrating of late on the bantamweight division.

Within a comparatively brief stretch of sixteen months, three of the nation's top 118-pounders – world champion Robert Cohen and French title-holders Hilaire Pratesi and Emile Chemama– have been victims of automobile crashes, with progressively worse results.

Cohen, injured in December, 1954, was fortunate. Although he put in a rugged hospital siege with a broken jaw, a crushed chest and an assortment of internal damages, he recovered eventually and was able to resume ring activity nine months after the accident.

Pratesi, smashed up in August, 1955, was not so lucky. Paralyzed, he was on the critical list for several years, and doctors doomed him to the dreary existence of a hopeless invalid. The young man didn't quit so easily, however. With amazing determination, he put himself through a daily schedule of exercises that gradually produced results. Hilaire has succeeded in regaining partial use of his arms and is now making efforts to do the same with his legs. His ring career, of course, is definitely ended.

The most recent victim, Chemama, fared worst of all. Cracked up last March 30th, he died the following day. The ironic part of Emile's tragic finish was that only the night before the accident he had knocked out Dante Bini in Paris for the vacant French title. He was motoring home to Marseilles when he cracked up. His manager, Louis Solinas, also succumbed to injuries suffered in the crash.

PRECEDING this untimely run of misfortune to Cohen, Pratesi and Chemama, Tragedy had overtaken three other prominent French ringmen–two former national flyweight champions and a current featherweight title-holder. All three deaths were charged to ring competition.

The first to go was Mustapha Mustaphaoui, an Algerian, who failed to regain consciousness after being knocked out in the tenth round of a bout with Pierre Gress-Gyde in Roubaix in January, 1951.

Then, in November, 1952, Honore Pratesi, elder brother of Hilaire, died in a London hospital two days after losing a disputed decision to Jake Tuli, the Zulu in a gruelling ten-rounder.

The next fatality was reported in Marseilles in December, 1953, when Ray Grassi, defending the French featherweight laurels against Mohamed Chickhaoui, collapsed in the ninth

round, failed to revive, and died in a hospital two days later.

In this ghastly sequence of Tragedy, it is a grim prank of a strange destiny that two brothers, the Pratesis, should have been victims—three and a half years apart, in different locales and under different circumstances.

The news of Honore's death was a stunning shock to those who had seen his fight with Tuli in London. Although it had been a bruising brawl, with both boys absorbing heavy punishment, the little Frenchman hadn't appeared to be seriously hurt at any time. In fact, Pratesi rallied so strongly in the last two rounds that many of the spectators felt it an injustice when Tuli was declared winner.

Pratesi left the ring, went to his dressing room, had a shower and a rubdown, dressed and returned to the ringside to watch the next bout. Although disappointed in losing a decision he thought he had won, Honore seemed in gay spirits. After the show, he went back to his dressing room, drank a glass of beer, picked up his luggage and was bidding "au revoir" to other occupants of the room when he suddenly complained of a headache. A few moments later he collapsed. Rushed to a hospital, he underwent an emergency operation. It was futile. In thirty-six hours he was dead. A blood clot on the brain, the doctors said.

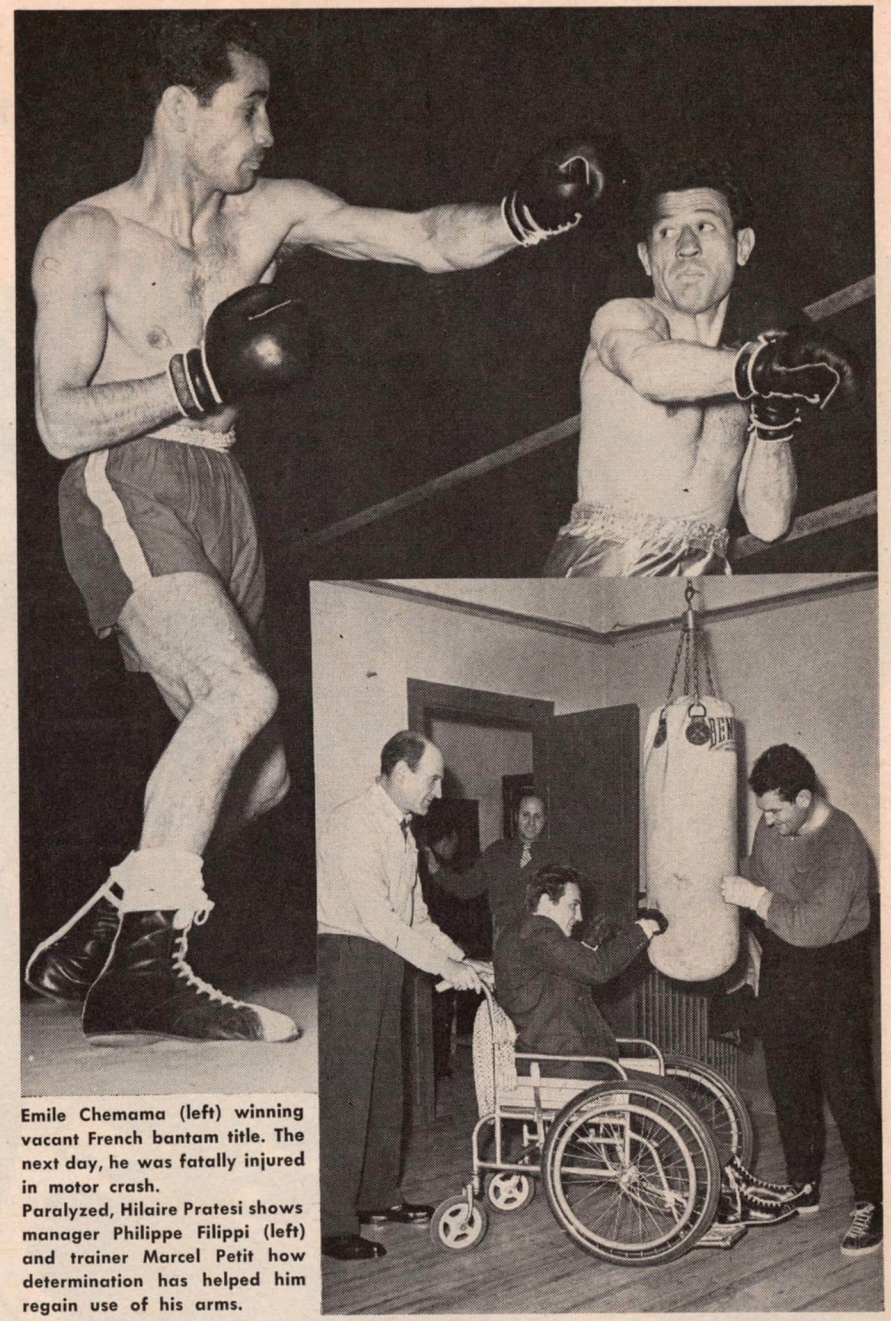
IT was generally felt that Honore's tragic finish would discourage youthful Hilaire, who had begun his ring career only a few weeks before. It didn't. If anything, it seemed to add fuel to the fires of the younger brother's fistic ambitions.

Hilaire was a success from the start. A flashy boxer and stiff puncher, he was unbeaten in his brief but spectacular career. In less than three years of professional campaigning, one draw—with the ill-fated Chemama—was all that marred an otherwise perfect score. Of his twenty-six victories, fourteen were by knockouts. His superb form earned from French sports writers the superlative epithet *"L'Elegante."*

Hilaire became national bantam champion in his twenty-fifth start when he flattened Andre Valignat with one right-hand shot in the second round in Marseilles—the only time that rugged campaigner had ever been counted out.

Two fights later, in Paris, Pratesi demolished the visiting American, Natie Brooks, in five rounds.

Meanwhile, Robert Cohen, after becoming world champion, had relinquished the European title. The European Boxing Union nominated Pratesi and the Italian, Mario D'Agata, as the logical contenders for the vacated laurels, with the winner qualifying to meet Cohen for the championship.



Emile Chemama (left) winning vacant French bantam title. The next day, he was fatally injured in motor crash.
Paralyzed, Hilaire Pratesi shows manager Philippe Filippi (left) and trainer Marcel Petit how determination has helped him regain use of his arms.

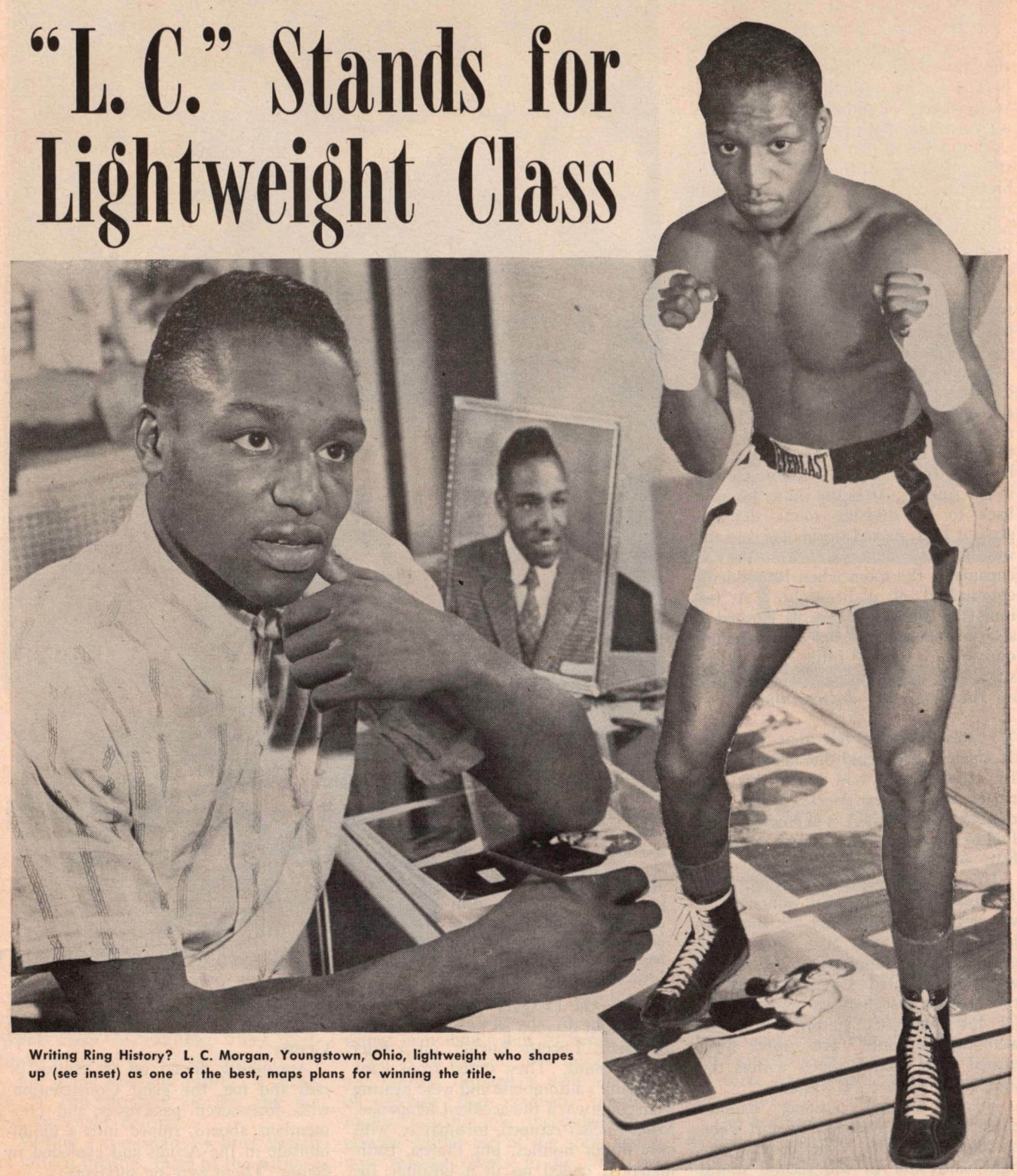
While the D'Agata match was pending, Pratesi decided to take himself and his fiance, Lucette Eucher, on a brief holiday jaunt. They stated from Paris in Hilaire's automobile and were nearing Marseilles when the accident happened. Mlle. Eucher escaped, fortunately, with only minor injuries, but Pratesi, badly mangled, ended up in a hospital, his brilliant ring career suddenly, tragically ended.

IN international importance, the 'plane crash which killed Marcel Cerdan was the most shocking catastrophe of all. The spectacular Moroccan, an idol throughout the French Empire, and a popular attraction in Europe and the United States, was on his way to New York and a chance to regain the world middleweight title he had lost to Jake LaMotta in Detroit a few months before. Accompanying Cerdan were co-manager Jo Longman and trainer Paul Genser.

Apparently driven off its course by rain and fog, the giant Constellation, with forty-seven passengers and crew members aboard, ripped into a mountainside in the Azores and exploded in flames. There were no survivors.

There was an ironic touch to Cerdan's ghastly finish in that blazing pyre. He would not have been on that 'plane had LaMotta gone through with the return bout on its original date. Jake had claimed an injured shoulder and demanded a postponement. Cerdan returned to Europe. When the new date was set, Marcel started back to New York—and that ill-fated journey was to begin the macabre seven-year Cycle of Tragedy in the French boxing world.

"L. C." Stands for Lightweight Class



Writing Ring History? L. C. Morgan, Youngstown, Ohio, lightweight who shapes up (see inset) as one of the best, maps plans for winning the title.

By MURRAY GOODMAN

A YOUNG lad of 21, who didn't know until he was 12 years old that he had a first name, is making quite a name for himself these days.

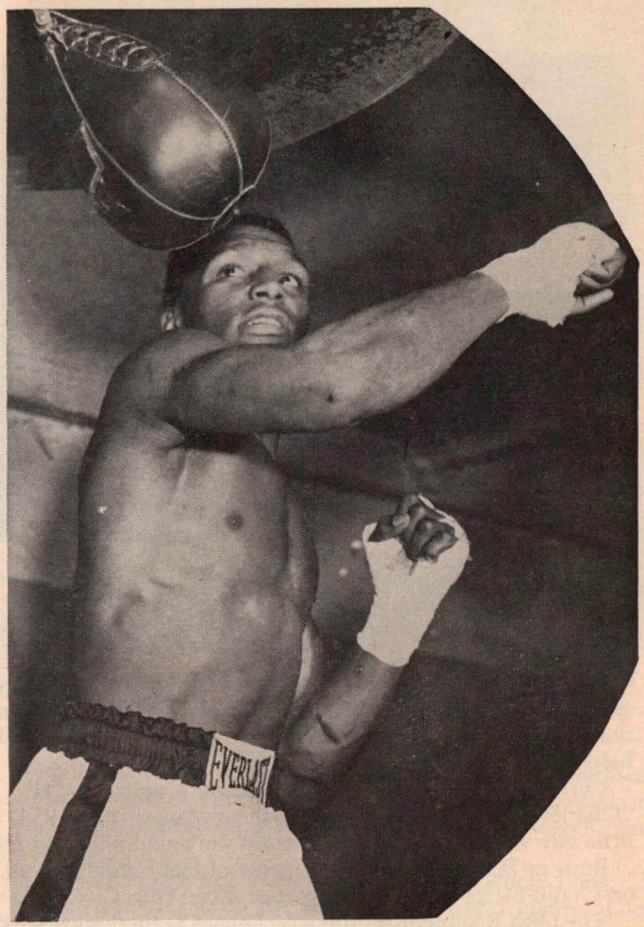
In fact, if we were to venture a glimpse into the future, L. C. Morgan, or as has been more recently discovered, Langston Carl Morgan, Jr., of Youngstown, Ohio, looms fairly large on the lightweight screen. And, for a tender bumpkin of less than two dozen professional fights, he talks that way, too. Not with conceit, mind you, but with a firm confidence in his new outlook on life.

"I can't miss now," he said simply, in answer to a leading question. "I know I can beat both Bud Smith and Jimmy Carter, if they're the ones who stand in my way toward the title. I have youth, speed and punch on my side. They're on the way down. I know I'm on the way up.

"I guess I must have been a fair prospect all the time to have so much fuss made over me. But it wasn't till I met Tom Tannas that I started believing in myself. Tom is my new manager. In or out of the ring, he's the greatset guy I ever met. He makes sure a fighter is taken care of. He makes sure I stick to the rules and work hard and mostly learn the trade I'm in.

"With most kids, like me, starting out these days, they win a couple of fights and they think they're world beaters.

L. C. Morgan Jr. should be money maker. Remarkable victory over Ludwig Lightburn gives him niche among best in his class.



(Above) Slow Burn on Lightburn fight. Morgan and former manager Jack Laken (left) look over Garden poster advertising lucrative fight which didn't come off. Later Morgan beat Lightburn in Cleveland. (Right) "I've got a lot to learn," says L. C., working on the speed bag. A boy who likes to fight and doesn't mind training, he has lost only two fights, and reversed both in returns.

Tom taught me different. He taught me that I've got a lot to learn and with him behind me, I'll do anything."

L. C. Morgan was virtually a nobody until he lost a split decision to Ludwig Lightburn in Cleveland on September 8, 1955. Sure, he had won all but one of his fights prior to that, and had displayed quite a punch but it took the disputed loss to Lightburn, a rated lightweight, to bring him to national attention. Tom Tannas saw him and liked what he looked at.

"The kid had a natural ability to punch and lots of speed," said Tannas. "I talked to Jack Laken about buying his contract."

Tom's troubles began with the opening move. It seems that there were many who had pieces of Morgan. Laken, an old-school fight manager with a flair for promotion and publicity but with all that, slightly short of what it takes in ready cash, had quite a few more partners. than were figured on. It took a lot of manipulation to clear the path for Tannas to own the contract. He finally made it but not before he lost a lucrative shot in the Garden against Lightburn.

Morgan got Lightburn in Cleveland on March 28th, however, and scored a unanimous victory, fully displaying his vaunted punch to millions on television. He had Lightburn down and almost out in the first round but admits it was his toughest fight.

"I got too cocky and too anxious," he added. "It was tough because I started running out of gas and got tired punching. That's when I realized how much I have to learn. But nothing can stop me now. Nothing."

Langston Carl Morgan, Jr., was born in Meridien, Miss., on November 15, 1934. He doesn't remember ever living in Meridien. The family moved to Youngstown, where his father was a construction worker. Both his father and mother have passed on. His mother died in November of 1954, and his father, last November.

"I didn't know I had a first name until I was 12. Everybody just called me L. C. They still call me that."

L. C. has a brother, Carl, 16, and three sisters, Lee, 24, Carol, a twin of Carl, and Loretta, 17. He attended and graduated from South High School in Youngstown, class of '53. He was all-State in football, in 1951, and a member of the baseball team on which he played centerfield and batted third. Morgan was a slightly terrrific left halfback in football, ran 100 yards in 10 seconds flat and was offered scholarships to John Carroll and Illinois, among others, but decided on a fistic career.

"I weighed 133 pounds and figured that it would be tough with that little weight in football. I had to think of my future. You don't play football among the pros weighing that little. They won't even look at you. So I took to boxing."

L. C. worked in the Carnegie Steel Mill as a repairman for a year while developing his fistic ambitions, stirred by his Youngstown friends Bobby Bell and Dave Walden. They took him to the gym and helped him get started. He won 18 of 20 amateur fights. L. C. captured the Youngstown and Cleveland Golden Gloves crowns as a featherweight in 1953, and the next year, won the same titles. He got beaten in the quarter-finals at Chicago in 1953, and the following year lost in the semi-finals of the National A.A.U. at Boston. Too good to enter the novice class, he was in open competition from the beginning.

Morgan stands 5 feet, 8 inches tall. He fully realizes a fighter must make sacrifices to get to the top.

"I train all the time. When I'm fighting I do 5 to 6 miles on the road every day. When I'm not fighting, I run every other day. I play basketball at the West Federal St., YMCA almost every day. It keeps me fast and loose. When I'm fighting, now that I'm with Tom Tannas, I

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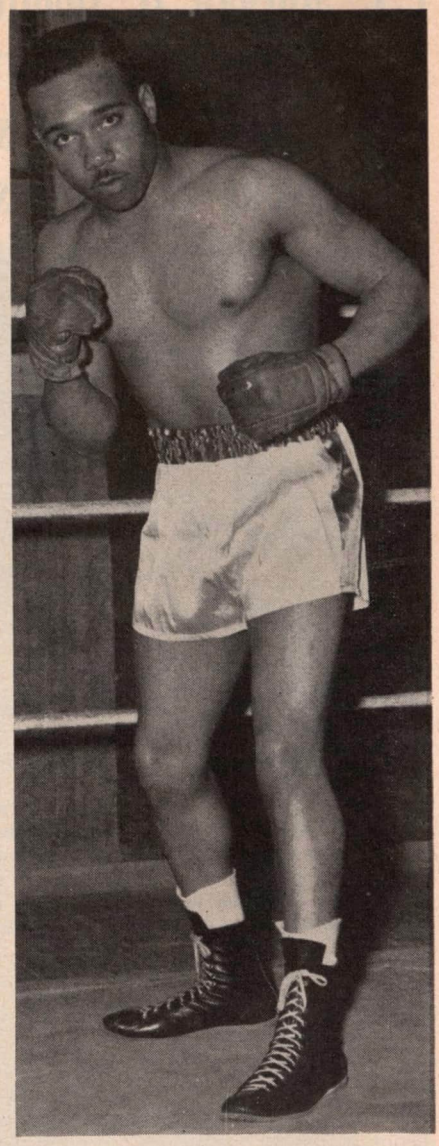
WITH OUR SERVICEMEN

by JOE SMITH



One of the Fifth Air Forces' outstanding boxers is Cpl. Calvin Maddox, of the 931st Engineers Aviation Battalion in Korea, who captured two middleweight titles and was runner up for a third.

NAVAL AUXILIARY AIR STATION, Edenton, North Carolina . . . Robert E. Randall, 1st Lt., USMCR, is trying to revive boxing in this area. So far this base has a win over the Cherry Point Marines and a loss to the Camp Lejeune boxers.

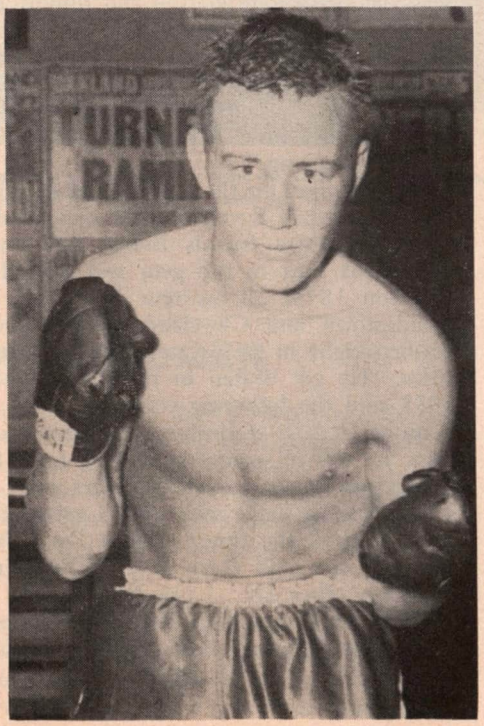
Lt. Randall, is trying to bring about the return of amateur boxing as well as service boxing . . . with the help of his fellow Marines and the local towns people . . . we wish him luck on his task and that he gets all the help he needs.

Carlos Ortiz, whom his buddies in Company "H" have nicknamed "Charley O'Brien", joined the 69th on August 4th 1954. He is a friendly little guy with a baby face, a friendly smile and a wicked left hook.

Born in Puerto Rico, Carlos is one of eight children and makes his home on Grand Street in the lower part of New York City.

The 69th Regiment is otherwise known as the Fighting Irish (WW-1) and Ortiz (or O'Brien as his buddies call him)—is living up to this name in the squared circle.

Carlos is managed by Ed Ferguson, who also has a son fighting but not as a pro vet. Vince Ferguson also was with the Fighting 69th . . . Vince held the New York Metropolitan AAU championship in 1954. Vinnie now is representing the University of Wisconsin, where he is under a scholarship. Ferguson started off well in the boxing circles out there by winning the "fightin'est fighter" trophy in the 87th annual all-university boxing tournament . . . with a win over champion Jim Schnelder, in the 156-pound class.



Cpl. Ruggles Larson is the finest prospect to come out of the Marine Detachment on Treasure Island, Calif., in many a year.

FORT DIX, N. J. . . . Four knockouts featured an action-packed inter-service card between Fort Dix and McGuire (N. J.) Air Base.

In the opener a scoring error gave lightweight Vince Puma, 364th Infantry, a decision over Willie Spies, also of the 364th . . . Light-welter Dan Previti put on a punching exhibition to TKO Vince Martinez, 716th MPs, in 57 seconds of the third round. Third bout saw crowding Pug Dituri, 364th, take the nod over welter Tom Galli, 365th.

In the fourth hassle, also in the welter class, John Harper, 364th, dropped James McKenna, from the same regiment, in 1:43 of the second round.

Bud Connors, a featherweight airman, gave the outstanding performance of the evening with a TKO over rugged Bob Chapman, 364th, in 2:34 of the second round.

Another airman, middleweight Frank Taylor, scored the fastest put-away of the seven-bout card by dropping Pat McIntyre with a left hook in 36 seconds of the first round.

In the main event Irving Henry, 716th MPs, former European Army light-heavyweight champ, punched out a clean-cut decision over Lester Berry of McGuire . . . M./Sgt. Frankie Clay, former sparmate of Joe Louis, was third man.

SHORT Notes . . . About 130 airmen are expected to square off in the fifth annual AF boxing championships at Bolling AFB, Washington, D. C. this month.

Headquarters . . . 5th AAA BN (75MM GUN, MBL) . . . Wiesbaden, Germany . . . this area command will conduct

boxing tournaments from Camp Pieri. There will be an estimated two hundred contestants involved in both the novice and open divisions. PFC Ronald Schnurman, PIO, NCO, will be supplying the writer the info of this area.

Carl Brunson, featherweight champion of the U. S. Navy . . . Brunson, has had 22 Armed Forces bouts and held the U. S. Navy Championship of the 13th Division in the Puget Sound Area . . . is fighting pro now around Washington.

FORT MEADE, MD. . . . The General Boxing team, perennial Second Army and All-Army contenders, has opened its 1956 campaign against the Baltimore Athletic Club.

The eight man team, coached by nationally known M/Sgt. Pat Nappi, will be led by George Davis, 1953-54 All Army and Interservice bantamweight champ.

The 24 year old, 119 pound Davis, also a Golden Glove finalist in 1954 at Chicago, is the only experienced boxer on the team in the eyes of manager Nappi. Pat comments, "They are very inexperienced, but eager and enthusiastic, and are showing some signs of promise . . . we hope!"

Nappi, who coached the 1955 Pan-American Games fighters, refuses to make any predictions about the success of his pugilists, except for an air of pessimism.

If last year is any indication, they should do well. Under his coaching and Davis' example, a four man team entered the Second Army tourney against teams twice as large and brought home the third place bacon. Davis went on to the All-Army semi-finals before losing, and his three teammates lost decisions in the finals.

One of those squared circle novices, Melvin Edward, is back with Meade this year. He lost a close decision to the All-Army welterweight champ in the Second Army Finals.

Nappi, who coached the 1953 All-Army, AAU, and Inter-service champs while with Korean Communications Zone, will be assisted by trainer Sfc Virgil W. Garrison, eight year service boxing veteran.

Last year as the manager of 1st Bn., 2nd Armd. Cav. Regt.'s team his fighters cleaned up on German amateur competition (35 wins, 7 losses, and 9 draws), produced six VIIth Corps champs, and two European semi-finalists.

One of those fighters, flyweight Ramond Carvalho, will be with Meade. The 112 lb. pugilist holds a second round KO over the German flyweight champ.

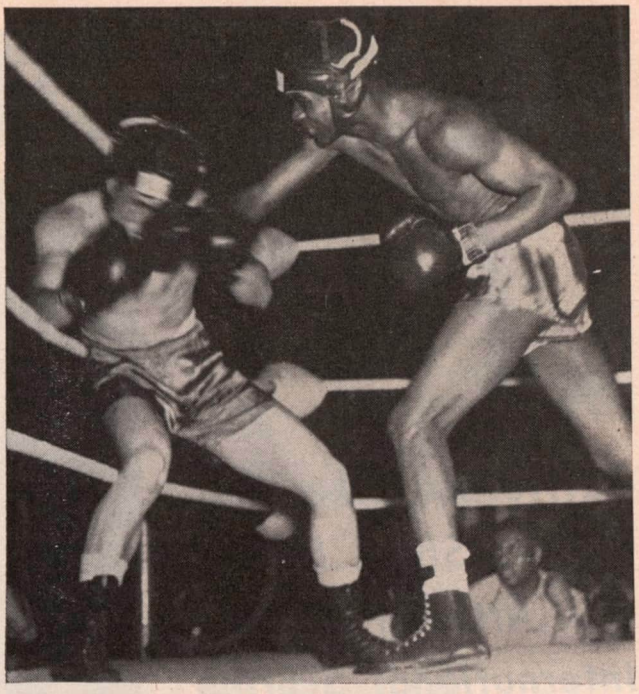
ANOTHER squared circle inhabitant expected to do well is Pfc Ernie Nisser, 26 year old 147 pound welterweight, who swept the Iowa Golden Gloves and AAU honors in the welter class in 1947 and 1948. After losing in the Olympic try-outs in Kansas City in '48, he left fighting to raise a family. He returned to the ring after his draft notice to become Camp Chaffee, Ark., light middleweight champ while in basic training there.

Competing with Nisser, who may go to the next weight class, will be Melvin Edward, who punched his way to nine victories out of 13 bouts as a novice last year and the semi-finals of the Washington, D. C. Golden Gloves. He's 20 years old, weighs 147, and stands 5 feet 7 inches.

PFC Richard Dota, a 5 feet 7 inch, 135 pound lightweight, is expected to do well in spite of a five year layoff due to an automobile accident. The accident occurred while Dota was whipping everybody in his weight class in the Youngstown, Ohio Golden Gloves matches that year.

Washington Golden Glove followers in the area will probably recognize 20 year old Henry Bush, 126 pound featherweight standing 5 feet 7 inches. Bush lost in the semi-finals in Washington in 1953-54 Golden Gloves, but came back to make the final the next year. Before he had a chance to fight the final match, Uncle Sam put him in uniform.

Pfc Freddie Cunningham, 21-year-old 112 pound bantamweight from San Francisco, is one of Nappi's promising novices. Now from the Golden Gate city, he picked up ring fundamentals in a Philippine Island high school competition.



Welterweight Cliff Thomas, 3rd Marine Division, crosses a hard right hand to the jaw of Kenkicki Ishikawa, Japan's fifth ranking amateur.

The Generals' heavyweight entry is Pfc. George Long, 21, who tips the scales at 201 and stands 6 feet 5 inches. Long a fight follower, he didn't get into the ring until this year.

PFC. CHESTER BALLENGER of Ft. Riley, Kansas, won the welterweight title and was named outstanding fighter of the recent Kansas City Golden Gloves tournament of champions.

Thomas Nethercott, a four year Gloves veteran and 118-lb. National AAU Champion in 1953 represented the White Plains YMCA, N. Y. The 22-year-old Korean veteran had a tournament record of two knockouts and one decision. He is employed as a mason. Nethercott lost in the finals at Madison Square Garden.

Carl Edwards of Red Bank, N. J., who captured the 175-lb. open title shortly after being discharged from the Army last year, trimmed down to a middleweight for this tourney and won the title by outpointing Angelo Mone, of Westfield, N. J.

Luke Air Force Base had two winners in the heavy class at the Phoenix, Arizona Golden Gloves, Fred Lewis 175-lbs. and heavyweight Ernest Stroy. Lewis won by an easy third round TKO over teammate Ed Thomas, who happens to be stationed with him. They are best of friends.

But it was a different story with Stroy as he was well matched with Ted Hutchinson. Ernest is an Air Force cook.

1956 Eastern Golden Gloves Championships had the following service men:

Harold Burns, from Huntington, West Virginia, he is 28-years-old. A veteran, he served 3-years in the Air Force and 5-years in the Navy.

Mack Arnsdoriff, of Savannah, Georgia, he is 17-years-old and active in the Marine Reserve Corps.

Another Marine is Donald Daniels, of Hartford, Conn., 21 years of age and a veteran of 3-years of service.

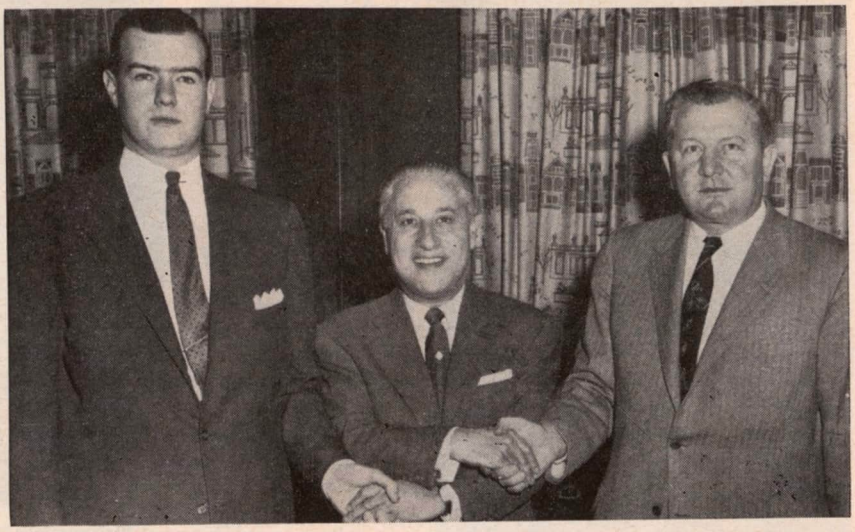
Melvin Cook, from Monnessen, Pa., 21 years of age, was holder of the U. S. Army Far Eastern Boxing Championship in 1954 and 1955.

Sorry we couldn't list all the names. Space you know.

Nat FLEISCHER

says:

California Like N.Y. Cleans Shop. E.B.U. Will Attempt Uniform International Scoring System



Handsome James A. Farley, Jr., son of the former Postmaster General of the U. S. (left) and Francis Souhan of Seneca Falls, (right), are greeted by Chairman Julius Helfand after the pair are sworn in as members of the New York State Athletic Commission.

THE boxing mess in California is the worst experienced since the sport became legalized in that or any other state. It is a reminder of the loathsome days preceding the repeal of the famous Horton Law in New York in 1900, after the cry of fake went up in the fight between Kid McCoy and James J. Corbett; the ban on boxing in Illinois following the phoney battle between Terry McGovern and Joe Gans and the action against the sport in 1905 in San Francisco and other California cities. In 1914 the California legislature banned all bouts over 4 rounds and it was not until 1924 that the game was legalized in that state. Though boxing has thrived for many years there and California has been one of the outstanding centers, to-day the filth that was brought out before Governor Knight's Investigating Commission has caused the sport to fall into disrepute again on the Pacific Coast.

It was inconceivable that such abominable conditions could exist to-day in California where a commission authorized by law and appointed by the Governor, supervises boxing. The public throughout the country has lost faith in the sport that until recently ranked next to baseball and football as the most popular!

Where does the blame rest for this change?

With the ruling powers in boxing, the men who through legislative acts are empowered to regulate and rule.

Julius Helfand, Chairman of the New York Commission indicated what can be done when politics and fear are thrust into the background and law and order are placed above everything else.

What he did to clear matters in New York can be done in every state if commissioners will forget political alliances, stick their nose to the grindstone and go after the scoundrels who have blackened the name of boxing and whose selfishness, desire for power and alliance with the underworld have set the public against this popular sport.

Now more than ever, the big whip is needed. Despite the damaging evidence given against Babe McCoy in the California investigation, fake fights are the exception rather than the rule. They are few and far between as the testimony in that hearing showed. Most of the cases involved are past the statue of limitations making it impossible to bring the culprits into court for their day of reckoning.

However, if the investigation proves the guilt of those named, there is no room in boxing for them. Concerted action on the part of all commissions is required.

Working agreements that do not work, are worthless.

One state alone cannot clear the field. All must act together.

What good is a National Boxing Association if its members shunt to the sideline the good deeds of some of its fellow members in order to cater to the Almighty Dollar?

Now is the time for a complete clean up.

Boxing fans demand it.

The gate receipts, the fall in TV audiences and the hundreds of letters from our readers indicate the trend. Action is demanded of those who rule this national sport.

COURTS UPHOLD RULINGS BY STATE COMMISSIONS

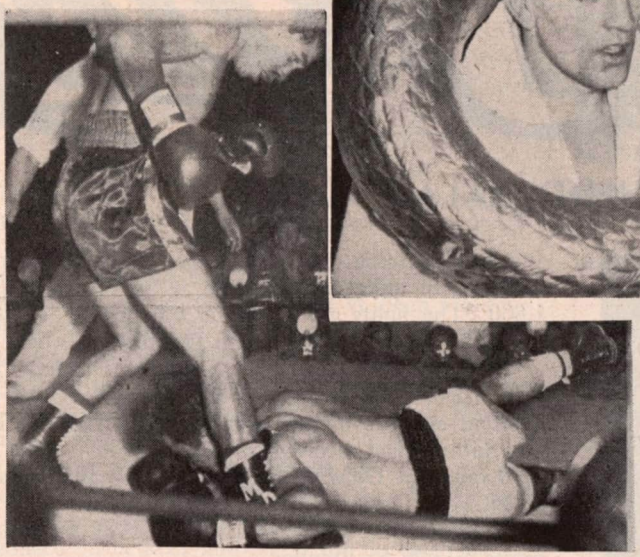
When the New York Supreme Court vacated the injunction obtained by Tex Sullivan and his London Sporting Club that stayed the revocation of the club's boxing license, the action of the court came as no surprise. In all the years since the Walker Law legalizing boxing went into effect in 1920, only twice has a decision rendered by the commission been voided by the courts and in each of those, the action was taken because the Walker Law regulations had not been followed. But every time a case has been tried in which the regulations of the Walker Law were adhered to, the complainant didn't have a chance.

And so it was in the now famous London Sporting Club case. Commissioner Helfand had an iron-clad case against the organization for violations of the Commission's rules and so the court has ruled.

Said Justice Eder in vacating the injunction: "The punishment may be severe, but I cannot say wholly unjustified. A great deal of latitude and discretion must be accorded a commission responsible to the people for the maintenance of fair dealing, honesty and clean sport in a field which has in the past been infested with undesirable elements."

Those who have known and worked with Tex Sullivan over the years, have always had the highest regard for him as a promoter, matchmaker and publicist. That he got himself into the predicament that proved so costly, is

A new German light heavyweight king was crowned when Hans Stretz (left), gained the decision in 12 rounds over Willi Hoepner in the Sports Palace of Berlin. Hoepner suffered a bad cut over the left eye. →



Memo Diez of Mexico, leaped into the top challenger's post among the flyweights when he knocked out Young Martin of Spain with a flurry of rights to the head in the opening round of their bout in Mexico City. Diez floored Martin twice before ending the bout. Prior to that contest, Martin headed the challengers' list.

regretted by those who cover boxing in New York.

I agree with Justice Eder that the penalty was too severe, but Commission Helfand had a serious job on his hands. It was a finish fight between him and the Managers' Guild that defied him and other legalized bodies around the country.

Sullivan, whose ninety-seven weekly shows at the St. Nicholas Arena furnished the International Boxing Club and its country-wide affiliated bodies with plenty of young talent to keep the ball rolling, unfortunately got caught in a cross-fire. He was in the middle of a tough situation and could blame no one but himself for the consequences since he chose to follow that path.

BRENNER CAPABLE AS A MATCHMAKER

Helfand was on the side of Law and Order. Sullivan should have seen the light when Helfand made his determined stand to put the Guild out of business.

When the Chairman of the New York Commission declared the Guild out of bounds and forbade the promoters to do business with anyone associated with it, he took the firmest steps possible to see that his order was carried out. The law was on his side as has been proved and had Sullivan accepted the command instead of attempting to shift his organization as a retaliatory measure to Baltimore, he would not have lost his club.

He's a man with a good reputation and a solid boxing background of thirty years, but his past good record was insufficient to enable him to overcome the heavy proof of violations charged by the commission. In my opinion he took the rap where he could have saved himself without any difficulty.

When the battle is between Law and Order, as we pointed out in our last issue, there is no choice—Law must win and so it was in the London Sporting Club case.

With the end of the injunction, Teddy Brenner, an able young matchmaker who did marvels in developing young talent at the Eastern Parkway Arena, again is staging the TV Monday night shows for the DuMont people. His New York Boxing Club, Inc., should be as successful as was his Eastern Parkway, though he'll have tougher going with the drop in TV income from $8,300 that Sullivan got originally to $7,000 out of which $1,000 must go to the owner of the arena for rental and 5 percent to the state, leaving $5,600 of the TV money with which the promoter must depend upon besides the gate receipts. Not much left for the promoter.

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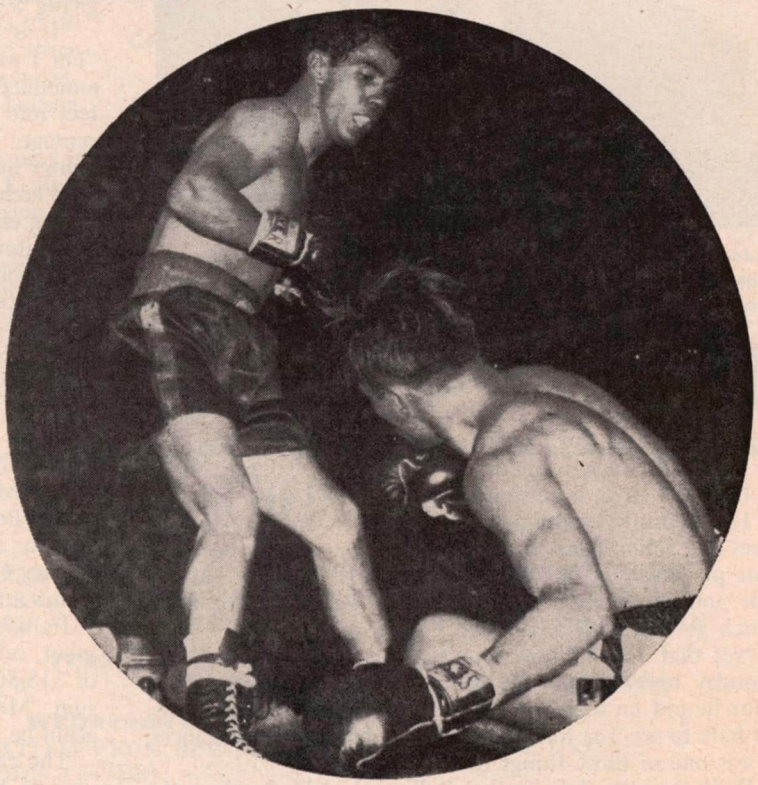


The National Boxing Association has its own "world bantam champ" in Raul "Raton" Macias of Mexico and here he is seen successfully defending his crown against Leo Espinosa of the Philippines. Espinosa is taking the count in the tenth round in which he was kayoed.

TV & Boxing

By JOHNNY SALAK

Teddy Brenner, once again at St. Nicholas Arena where he had met with success before. With less TV money, Brenner still figures to get top notch bouts.

THE passing from the scene of Tex Sullivan, as head man of the Monday night fights at St. Nicholas Arena, in New York, after 98 consecutive fights, seen on TV over the DuMont network, and the installation of Teddy Brenner, formerly of the Eastern Parkway Arena in Brooklyn, is an even-stephen trade in nice guys.

Teddy firmly established his name for bringing in new faces and action fights at Eastern Parkway, after a successful tour previously at St. Nick's. Given free rein, he has the flair and imagination to present top notch quality fights which go over with a bang week after week.

Not that Tex Sullivan wasn't doing a good job with his Monday night fights. He was. For the best part of two years he put on high grade fistic entertainment. Personally, we hate to see Tex forced out but, under the circumstances, it was one of those things that had to be.

With it pretty definite that Sullivan had his head on the chopping block and Chairman of the New York State Athletic Commission, Julius Helfand, determined to swing a big axe, Brenner long had the inside track, with an okay from DuMont, and merely waiting the ouster of Sullivan and his own (Teddy's) acceptance by the Commission.

Ted Cott, vice president and general manager of DuMont, announced that Brenner had signed a two-year contract to replace Sullivan as the promoter of the televised fights, stating that they had received 75 bids to take over.

Cott said the Monday night fights might be televised from other arenas at some future date but for the present Brenner will produce the fights, as president and matchmaker of the recently organized New York Boxing Club, Inc., at the St. Nicholas Arena.

Brenner's first card, on April 9, featuring Rory Calhoun and Jackie LaBua, drew the largest gross receipts and attendance in quite a long while at St. Nick's, $3,652 and 1,800. The fights are seen over Channel 5 in New York and forty other stations of the DuMont network.

Under the terms of the contract, DuMont will pay around $400,000 annually to the fight club. The payoff is different and the money Brenner gets for TV is less than Tex Sullivan had received for his shows.

At one time DuMont had been paying Sullivan a TV fee of $8,500. During Sullivan's troubles the price was reportedly sliced to $7,700 and it is believed that DuMont is giving $7,000 to Brenner.

"It is much less than Sullivan received," said Brenner, "but I would prefer to have the DuMont Broadcasting Co. announce the financial details. I will dump the television fees into the gate receipts, and pay the fighters on a percentage. In that way I can pay an experienced headline fighter more than a promising ambitious youngster."

Which is a good and intelligent move. Sullivan had been paying each main event performer $1,500 plus a percentage of whatever came in at the gate, though at times he upped the amount for certain performers.

"I expect to pay the fighters as much over all, and maintain the same standard of competition," Brenner said.

"By check?" he was asked.

"All by check," Teddy answered.

MILLION DOLLAR CONTRACT SIGNED

The completion of negotiations for a year's extension of the Wednesday Night Fight Series (ABC-TV), between Harris Perlstein, chairman of the board of the Pabst Brewing Co., and James D. Norris, president of the International Boxing Club, was recently announced. The new contract comes into effect on June 1.

Its terms will be the same as those in the current agreement, calling for the presentation of 52 contests at the rate of $18,500 per show ($962,000 for the year). Out of this sum, Mr. Norris said the main event contestants would again be paid $8,000, that is, $4,000 each.

The current extension will mark the seventh consecutive year of the Wednesday night fights and the second year over the facilities of the American Broadcasting Company Network.

During this period, the International Boxing Club has presented 272 consecutive fights and 30 championship contests.

Mr. Perlstein said the Mennen Company would again cosponsor the series with the Pabst Brewing Co.

Considering that the Wednesday night fights have consistently remained in the top twenty in TV ratings and during certain periods have gone quite high, this is about the cheapest, most popular advertising the sponsors could get anywhere, with ready-made convenient spots for commercials between rounds. Sometimes gets you in a lather and makes you want to cry in your beer, the program going for so little. Then sometimes you just watch the fights and want to cry.

HOORAY FOR HOLLYWOOD?

Hollywood must look like one huge training camp what with a wave of fight films in the making. Having completed "The Harder They Fall," just now Rocky Graziano's "Somebody Up There Must Like Me" is being filmed along with the life story of Jack Dempsey.

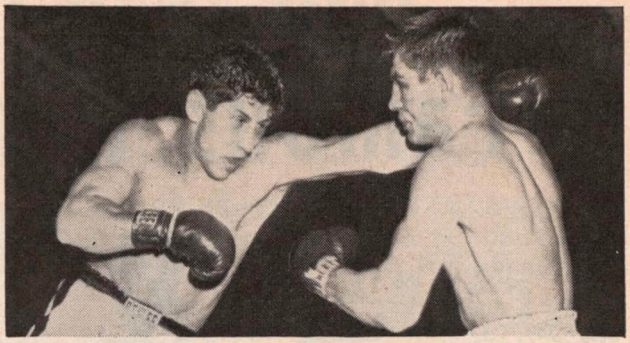
The Dempsey thing ran into a snag temporarily. Getting Jack Kearns' okay for the film proved too difficult, so Hollywood (brilliant Hollywood) came up with the answer: eliminate all reference to Kearns in the film! Can you imagine a life story of Dempsey without Kearns hovering close by, not to say, at times taking the center of the stage? That's like doing Helen of Troy without the wooden horse, though it is bad to make the comparison, for Kearns was never off his rocker.

And you will recall that fine film of a number of years ago, "Golden Boy," starring the very able William Holden. Well, Hollywood is going to try to make you forget it. Going to do their level best. They are going to reach a new high note for fight films by starring Mario (Hit Him in the LaBonza) Lanza in the lead role, we understand, though we don't really understand.

No doubt all the rules of the Marquis of Figaro will be followed: a minute's rest between arias (Ah, Aida!) and come out singing; watch those low notes (for which you can be penalized an octave) and listen for the pear-shaped tones of the gong; the man scoring a knockdown gets to do an encore (you get so much more from encore) and three encores in any one round signifies you're a chain smoker. The winner gets a chance to fight his way into Madison Square Garden the night of a title bout.

Rocky Marciano, Barney Ross and Henry Armstrong are also scheduled for Hollywood treatments while Jack Kearns' story goes before the cameras for release to television in serial form.

A true life story due to be screened, which needs no Hollywood touching up but unfortunately probably will have, is that of Jack Johnson. Jersey Joe Walcott, who already has proven his acting ability, takes the lead as Li'l Artha.



Joey Giardello (left) knocking the stuffings out of Al Andrews in Norfolk last year on TV. Glove split, as in Basilio-Saxton bout.

WONDER WINTERLAND TV'S FIGHTS

Promoter Jimmy Murray's contract to stage Thursday night televised fights over KOVR (San Francisco, Channel 13), has been renewed for another thirteen weeks. The new pact extends the series to July 12.

Whereas all but two of Murray's cards (the main event and two prelims are shown on TV) have been presented at the Winterland Arena, a switch to Richmond is probably in the offing as soon as the Ice Follies takes over the Steiner Street arena. Two cards of the earlier series, which started last January 19, were staged in Richmond.

CAMBRIA FIGHT NETWORK EXPANDS

The current Thursday night fights over WPFH-TV feature the preliminaries starting with a 9 o'clock pick-up from the Cambria A. C., Philadelphia. The main bout at 10 is being carried in the greater metropolitan New York and northern New Jersey areas through WATV in Newark, N. J.

These shows will also be fed to Baltimore and Washington, as they have been to the upstate Pennsylvania area since their inception.

Del Parks does the commentary, along with Bob McCurley, sports writer of the Philadelphia Daily News. Parks, you may remember, in 1949 and 1950, did major boxing

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WEEKLY TV BOXING SCHEDULE

CLUB	CITY	STATION	ANNOUNCER
MONDAY			
ST. NICHOLAS ARENA	NEW YORK	DUMONT TV NETWORK	CHRIS SCHENKEL
† MONT. ST. LOUIS	MONTREAL	CBFT	MIKE NORMANDIN
TUESDAY			
MOTOR CITY ARENA	DETROIT	WWJ-TV	BILL FLEMING
WEDNESDAY			
*WEDNESDAY NIGHT FIGHTS	(EMANATING FROM VARIOUS CITIES)	ABC-TV NETWORK	JACK DREES
COLISEO	MEXICO CITY	XH-TV	JULIO SOTELO
THURSDAY			
OLYMPIC AUDITORIUM	LOS ANGELES	KCOP-TV	GARRY GOODWIN
CAMBRIA A. C.	PHILADELPHIA	WPFH-TV	DEL PARKS
WINTERLAND ARENA	SAN FRANCISCO	KOVR-TV	WALT HARRIS
FRIDAY			
‡ CAVALCADE OF SPORTS	NEW YORK and OTHER CITIES	NBC-TV NETWORK	JIMMY POWERS
SATURDAY			
LEGION STADIUM	HOLLYWOOD	KHJ-TV	BILL SYMES
COLISEO	MEXICO CITY	XEW-TV	PACO MALGESTO and ANTONIO ANDERE

† Every other Monday.
‡ Also heard over the ABC Radio Network, Don Dunphy and Win Elliot, announcers.
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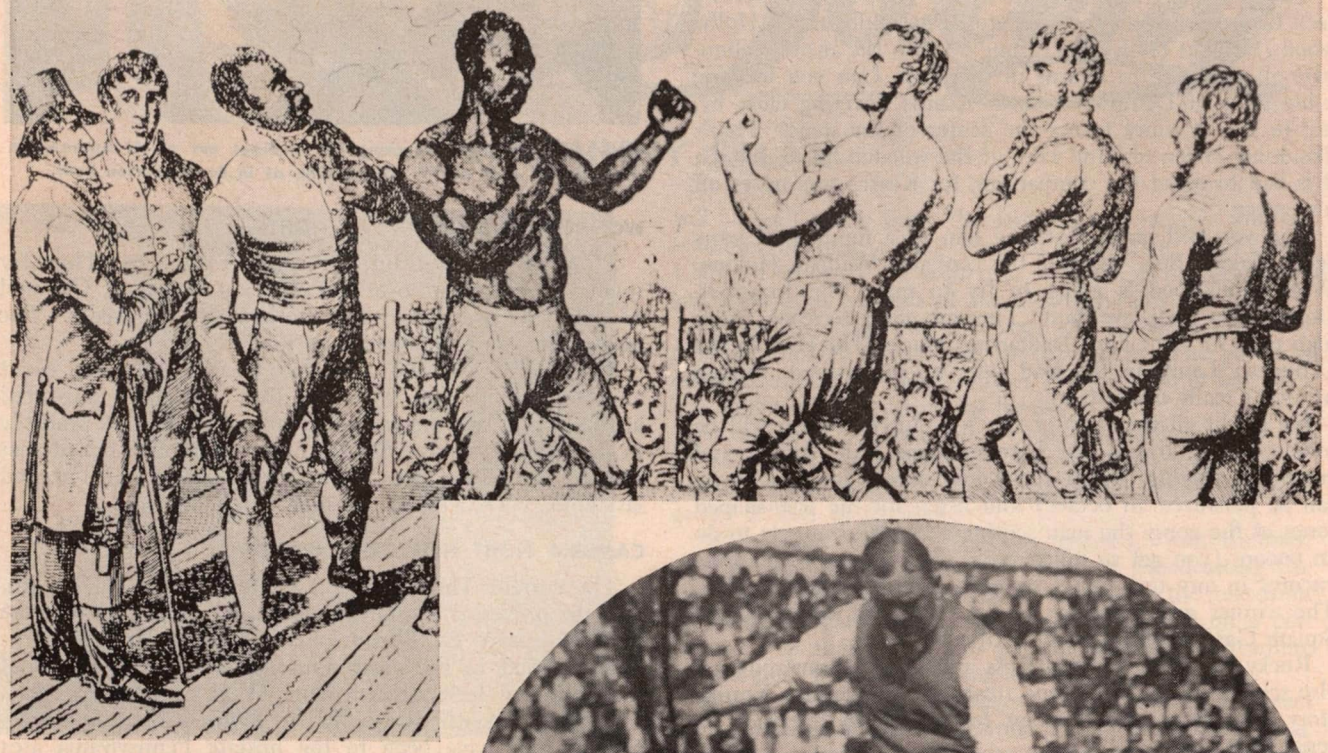
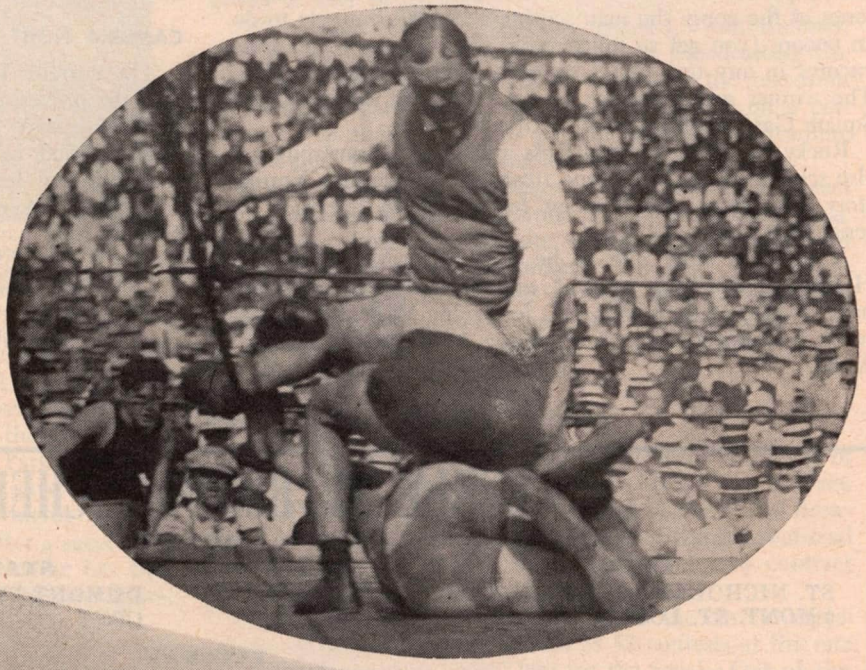
Famous Fights Recalled



Tom Molineaux (left) squares off with English champion, Tom Cribb, before start of boxing first important clash between America and Britain. The bout, held in London on December 10, 1810, resulted in victory for Cribb in 40th round.



Joe Rivers lands on top of Ad Wolgast during sixth round at Vernon, Cal., July 4, 1912. Wolgast retained lightweight title in historic "double knockdown" in 13th round.

One of the early "White Hopes," Al Kaufman's championship asperations were exploded in a hurry by Luther McCarthy in San Francisco on October 12, 1912. McCarthy needed less than two rounds to dispose of Kaufman, who is seen here going down for second and last time.

ROY HARRIS

of CUT and SHOOT

By FRANK A. GODSOE

THE heavyweight champion of Texas is from a rugged little backwoods spot named Cut and Shoot. There is a gasoline station, two churches, a saw mill, maybe a hundred hardy people who don't do much except farm, fish, fight and raise children.

The town is located seven miles east of Conroe, once a wild oilfield boom town 45 miles north of Houston on Highway 75, an artery to Dallas. It is on the timbered fringe of what is known in the Gulf Coast area of Texas as the "Big Thicket."

Cut and Shoot never has been discovered by the Rand & McNally people.

If it ever gets on the map it likely will be up to Roy Harris, 21, 187, and, as any of his neighbors will tell you, "jest rougher than a stucco bathtub", to put it there.

Inquire how the town got its picturesque name and you get this:

"Well, stranger . . . If you stand around here very long you may git cut. If you want to run, somebody might shoot you."

Long before the Davy Crockett craze swept over the nation, coonskin caps were standard in Cut and Shoot. Except in messy weather, shoes never have been popular.

There isn't even a television set in the place. Saturday nights are enlivened by a little "clinch dancing" to fiddle-band music "if they ain't no fights up to the Harris place."

Henry Harris, father of Roy, is an old soldier battler who decked everything from middles to heavies in Texas training cantonments during World War I.

Henry has a few acres of corn, watermelon, peas, peanuts and three boys who can fight. A few bored alligators laze around in the nearby sloughs.

He lives in a sprawling log house that is "kinda up-to-date." At least it has electricity and running water. And the deep freeze is 15 feet long.

Out near the veranda (that's a porch in rural Texas) is the boxing ring. Nearly anytime you go by, somebody is in it and hitting somebody else in the mush.

Ten straight wins made Roy the state heavyweight champion.

Tobe, 23, is a deckhand on a tugboat in the Houston ship channel and rates as the No. 1 contender for the state light heavy title.

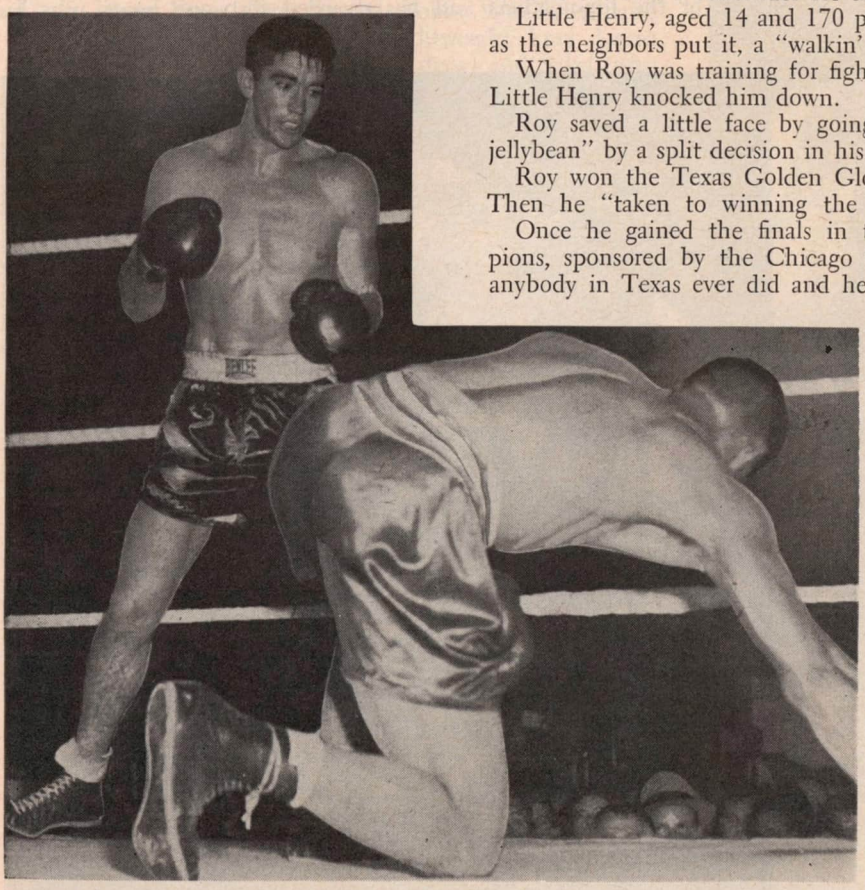
Little Henry, aged 14 and 170 pounds, has six straight amateur wins and is, as the neighbors put it, a "walkin' scorpion."

When Roy was training for fight with handsome Buddy Turman of Tyler, Little Henry knocked him down.

Roy saved a little face by going on up to Tyler and beating "that there jellybean" by a split decision in his hometown and bringing back the title.

Roy won the Texas Golden Gloves middleweight until he got tired of it. Then he "taken to winning the 175 pound championship."

Once he gained the finals in the Tournament of Golden Gloves champions, sponsored by the Chicago Tribune. Virus then hit him harder than anybody in Texas ever did and he was forced to default.



Roy Harris, who ropes alligators for a hobby, also has lassoed a mess of pro victories and remains undefeated. He won the Texas State heavyweight title from Buddy Turman on a twelve rounds decision.

Henry Harris says Tobe's feet "is so tough he can skip rope in a patch of bull nettles and never even know they're there."

All three boys are browned like saddle leather and just about as tough.

Their determination they come by naturally. When their Pappy was fighting 38 years ago, he tackled the heavyweight champion of the south, lost a tough scrap, then tried to whip him 13 other times before he gave it up.

"Little Sissie" is Frances, age 13, 135 pounds, none of it fat, and just about as good an athlete as her brothers.

Once during a family armistice the Harrises held a track meet among members of the family. Frances "ran clean off and left 'em all in the 100-yard dash." She did it in 13 seconds flat.

Henry, who is 47, weatherbeaten and built like a bottle, "broad-jumped 16 feet hisself."

In Cut and Shoot these days, that's

"Little Sissie" is Francis, age 13, 135

SEEN on TV

By

LEW ESKIN

(Above) Horsin' Around. Cisco Andrade, decked out like a vaquero, is riding high in the lightweight division and is looking forward to a shot at Wallace (Bud) Smith's lightweight title.

(Right) Kiddin' Around. Rocky Castellani, ranking middleweight contender, snapped in a playful mood with son Deane. Castellani has been seen on TV twenty-four times.

KENNY LANE

KENNY LANE of Muskegon, Mich., is an enigma in the boxing game today. He is the only American southpaw among the world's ranking fighters and, unlike most of boxing's portsiders, he is a clever boxer instead of a deadly puncher.

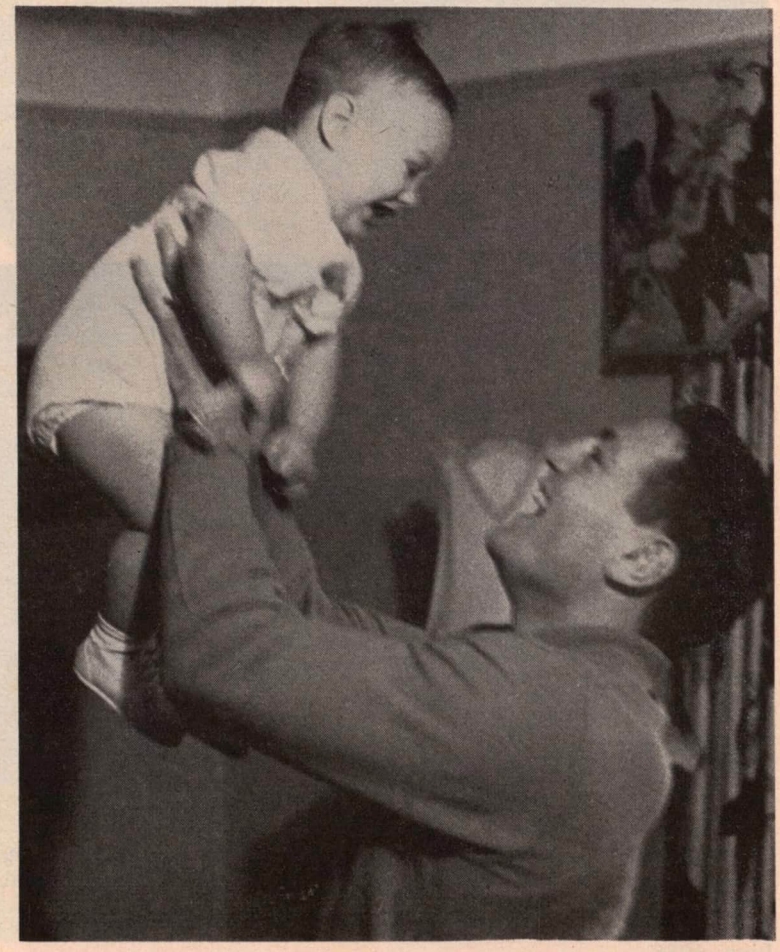
In all of boxing history, southpaws have been known for their ability to sock. Few have gained any fame as skillful boxers with the exception of Lew Tendler, the one-time top lightweight from Philadelphia.

Tendler has taken an active part in the development of Kenny in the past year, after seeing him in action for the first time when he upset the crafty veteran Orlando Zulueta in his national TV debut in December of 1954.

Lane was born in Big Rapids, Mich., on April 9, 1932. He fought only a few amateur fights with mediocre success before turning pro on his twenty-first birthday. Lane quickly established himself as an outstanding attraction as he rolled up 17 wins in his first 18 bouts, reversing his lone loss to Ron Stribling.

Kenny then lost two in a row to John Barnes, but a few months later defeated Barnes in a fight for the Michigan State lightweight title.

This good looking blond youngster has been one of the most active of the top-notchers and has crowded forty-one bouts into his



three-year career. Of these he has won 37, scoring 6 kayos.

Now rated the Number Eight man in his class, Kenny has defeated Larry Boardman (who just bested lightweight king Wallace (Bud) Smith), Canadian titleholder Richie Howard, Danny Jo Perez, Hoacine Khalfi, Noel Humphreys, Jackie Blair, Eddie Crawford, Kid Centella, Georgie Collins and Armand Savoie.

He has lost but two of his last twenty-two, those to Ralph Dupas, and in his last TV bout, a loudly disputed verdict to former lightweight ruler Paddy DeMarco.

This lefthander, a standup lad with a fine right jab and hook has appeared on video in four bouts and the fans are looking forward to seeing him again.

CISCO ANDRADE

"The Compton Comet," that is the name that has been hung on Robert (Cisco) Andrade, the flashy lightweight contender who by his recent triumph over former titleholder Jimmy Carter established him as a prime opponent for champion Wallace (Bud) Smith's next title defense.

Born 26 years ago in Los Angeles, he served four years in the army where he was a boxing coach and athletic instructor. Cisco was discharged as a staff sergeant in July, 1952, and a month later turned pro.

Andrade's rapid rise, which saw him go through twenty-eight fights before suffering his first loss, can be traced to his long and brilliant amateur career of 98 fights. He began fighting as a flyweight and had grown into a featherweight when he entered service. Army life agreed with him and he gained four inches in height and over ten pounds.

A skillful boxer with a solid punch, Cisco has won half of his 32 victories in 35 fights by knockouts, stopping Eddie Chavez, Kenny Davis, Johnny DiGilio, Carlos Chavez, Johnny Hart and Bobby Why. Beside Carter, he has turned in decision wins over Orlando Zulueta, Hoacine Khalfi, Henry Davis, Percy Bassett, Bobby Woods, Armand Savoie, Freddy Herman and ex-lightweight king Lauro Salas. Herman (who held him to a draw) and Salas (who outpointed him) were taking care of return meetings. Right now, Andrade is anxious to face Ralph Dupas, who handed him his first pro defeat.

The father of two girls, Denise, 6, and Pamela, 3, Cisco feels that 1956 will be his year. A popular idol on the West Coast he has become a favorite of the TV fans in his ten showings on the magic lantern with his crowd pleasing style, unlike the majority of flashy speedsters who do not come over strongly on the video screen.

MIGUEL BERRIOS

There is an old maxim that good things come in small packages. As far as the fistic TV fans are concerned that is true in the case of five foot, one inch Miguel Rosa Berrios, the little bundle of dynamite from Puerto Rico.

Born August 31, 1932, in Santurce, a suburb of San Juan, he has become a big favorite with the viewing public with his slam bang style of milling. He first came to the States in 1952, following a long and outstanding amateur career in his native land. In over 60 bouts, he was undefeated and captured the flyweight and bantamweight titles. He so impressed former bantamweight king Sixto Escobar, that Sixto took an active interest in his career.

Miguel won the featherweight championship of Puerto Rico in his second pro fight by whipping Jose Quezada. He went on to win eight in a row before losing to lightweight Richie Crump in a semi-final in Madison Square Garden. Berrios made his TV debut by dropping a close ten-round decision to the then ranking Bill Bossio. He had Bossio on the deck, but the veteran outsmarted him.

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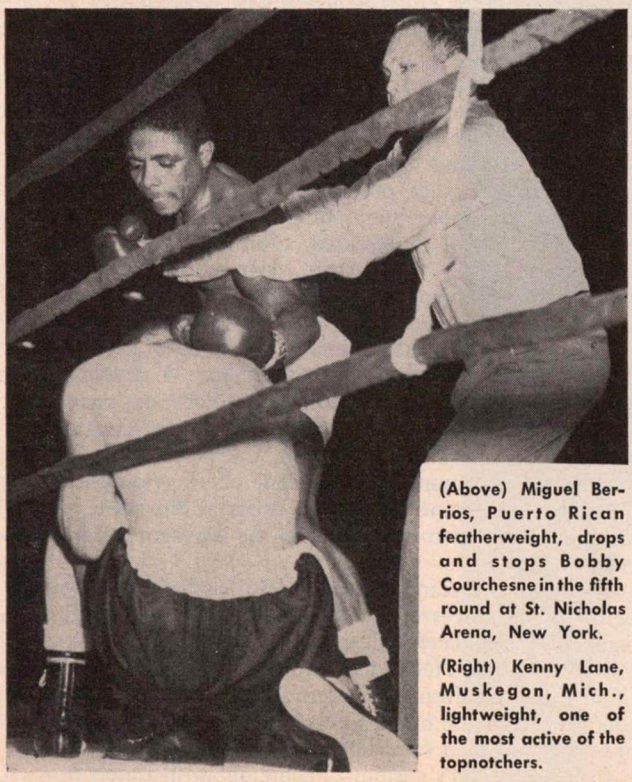
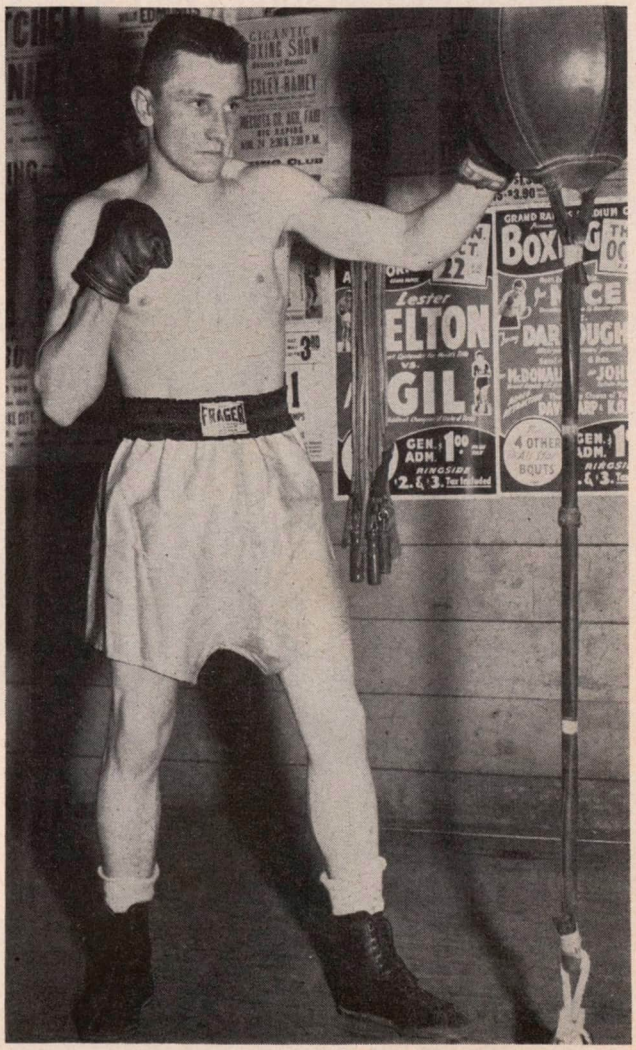
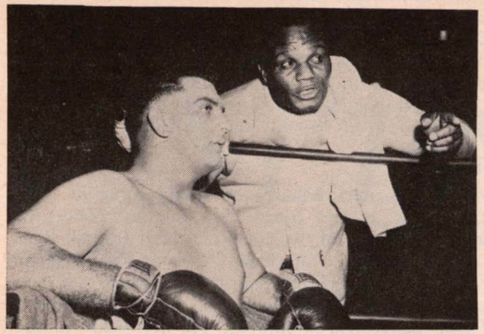
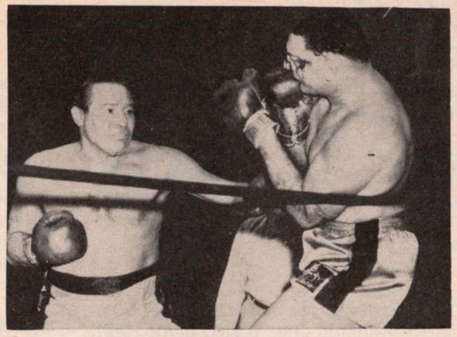


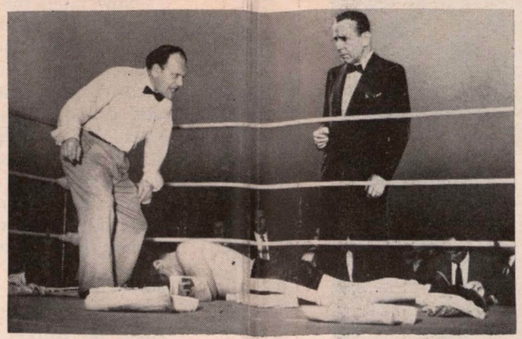


(Above) Miguel Berrios, Puerto Rican featherweight, drops and stops Bobby Courchesne in the fifth round at St. Nicholas Arena, New York.

(Right) Kenny Lane, Muskegon, Mich., lightweight, one of the most active of the topnotchers.







(Left to right) Jersey Joe Wolcott, taking the part of a second and trainer, imparts sense of realism to scene; Max Baer, playing role of The Champ, giving the challenger, Tony Moreno a decisive beating with the knockout shown in next frame. Humphrey Bogart, as the press agent, stares with remorse at what he has done to Moreno with his false buildup; technical advances of camera usage seen in last photo allow camera to register every action and emotion of fighters.

"THE HARDER THEY FALL"

Latest Hollywood attempt to bring boxing to the screen has script that departs from truth and smacks of movieland exaggeration. Fight scenes are best ever seen and technical manipulations unsurpassed for realism.

By NAT LOUBET

The make-believe-land of Hollywood has a long history of following boxing with the cameras. Actual coverage of real bouts when released for public consumption, have paid off handsomely.

It is no wonder that the movie capitol has turned toward boxing fiction in its constant search for new fields of entertainment.

Early efforts turned out anything but a well rounded portrayal of the boxing business. Gradually a format was developed that existed for some years. In this cycle, the fight game was translated on the screen in vehicles that were little more than a "Rags to Riches" build up of boxing. The lives of Jim Corbett and John L. Sullivan started still another trend but the box office attraction of such presentations failed to live up to expectation.

More recently Hollywood turned to the other extreme with "Body and Soul", and a narrative in prose, "The Set-Up". Both were excellent screen productions embodying all the elements of suspense, adventure and the macabre aspects of life that even children reading comic books clamor for in this day and age.

Another such reel production, "The Champion" was offered to the public some time ago and that, like "The Harder They Fall", presented a picture of boxing as it existed years ago, not as it is today. Like "The Harder They Fall" it abounded with excellent photography and realistic fight sequences. Undoubtedly the later garners all honors for technical perfection. The use of such former champions as Max Baer and Jersey Joe Walcott, and a former leading heavyweight contender, Pat Comiskey, have helped lend an air of authenticity to this phase of the picture in Bud Shulberg's creation.

Unfortunately none of the recent offerings on the sport show the fight game as it truly exists at this time. They certainly don't give a picture of the average present day boxer.

Boxing in the years 1955 and 1956 has had many wrongs righted. The forces of law and order have triumphed over many of the unlawful elements. New York State's commissioner, Julius Helfand, Pennsylvania's Governor George Leader and California's Governor, Goodwin Knight have gone all out in the battle to cleanup that which is unsavory in boxing and their campaigns have borne results.

It is Hollywood's custom to come out with timely movies and so it is a propitious moment for a flicker to make its debut dealing with the troubled scene. "The Harder They Fall," taken from Shulberg's novel of the same name, has the purport of bringing to the public a true rendition of the current boxing world with all its evils. Thus the movie is advertised and publicised.

In actuality, the movie, like the novel, is a story that so closely parallels the career of Primo Carnera that there is little doubt about the setting for the script.

The conditions depicted are an exaggeration of those that existed during one era (1928 through the 1930's) in the life and career of one pugilist. They were events that occurred but are shown in the picture with the capacity for fictionalizing and over-dramatizing that only Hollywood is capable of achieving.

The day of the gun and mob rule was the exception even earlier than the 1930's and to use the goings on in "The Harder They Fall," as a representation of what occurs in boxing today is a vast stretch for even a Hollywood script writer's imagination.

For the movie goer who is not interested in seeing boxing as it really exists but is interested in inhaling action and reveling in an atmosphere of crime and callousness, "The Harder They Fall," will fill the dish as much as any top Hollywood western or period epic. As a motion picture, it has all the elements that go to make extremely good entertainment . . . just don't accept it as realism . . . it's good fiction.

The story follows the life of an Argentine fighter, Tony Moreno, who is brought to the U. S. to be built into a colossus of an attraction with a phony build up by a newspaperman, turned press agent, played by Humphrey Bogart. Bogart's impersonation of a member of the Fourth Estate, neither helped nor hurt the picture . . . it was bland.

Mike Lane, who takes the part of the goon-like boxer of gigantic proportions who can't

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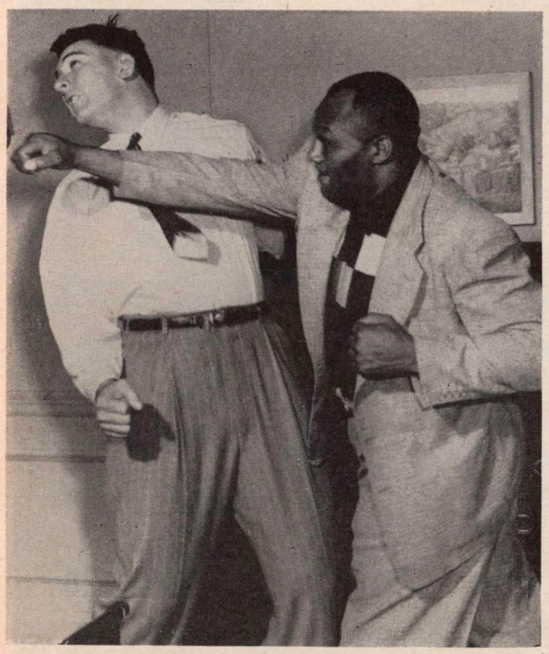
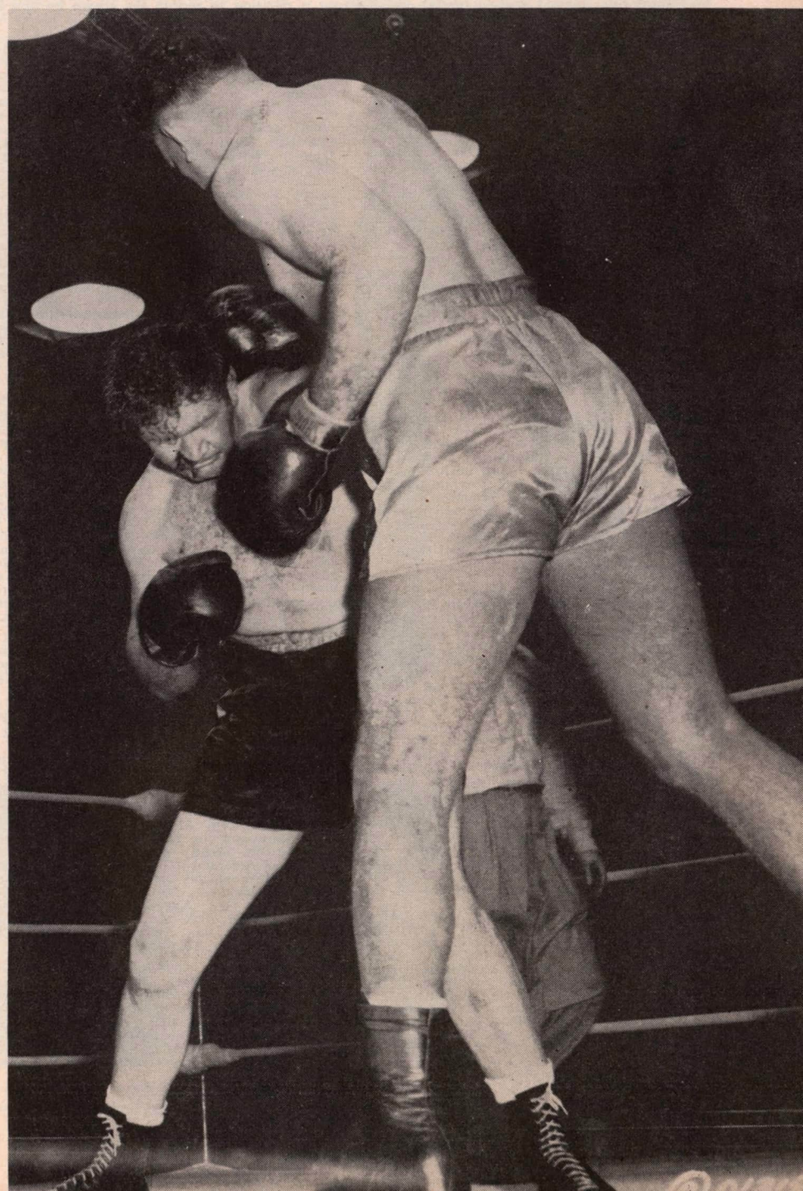
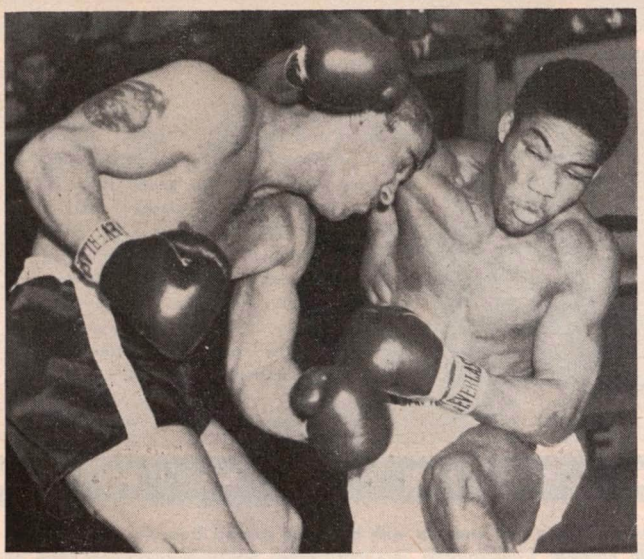
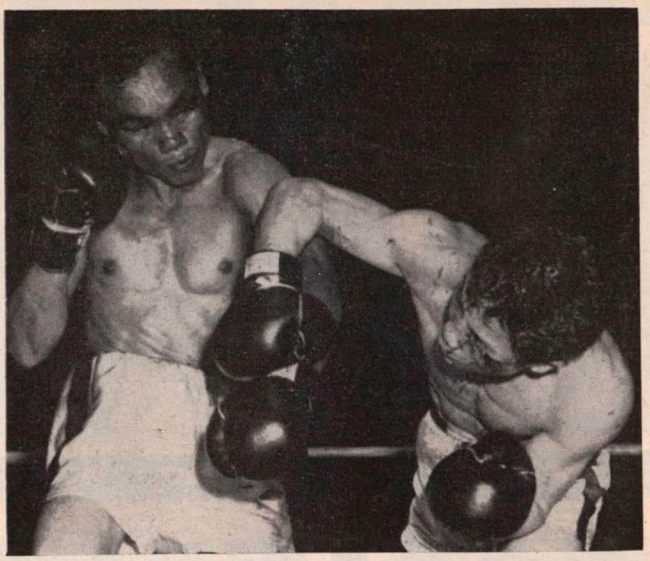


Tony Moreno, gets knocked out with one blow by his trainer when the cocky boxer refuses to believe that he can't fight and has only reached his position as the heavyweight challenger by a phony build up and fixed fights. Then he believed it!

Pat Comisky, left, taking a beating that ends up with his being carried from the ring on a stretcher only to die in hospital from injuries received. Story parallels death of Ernie Schaaf, who was badly beaten by Max Baer and then died as a result of final fight with Primo Carnera.







(Left) Roarin' Rory Calhoun, promising young middleweight, trades leather with Jackie LaBua (left) during St. Nick Arena bout. Calhoun remained undefeated with a unanimous ten rounds decision. (Right) In a bloody and savage brawl in Tokyo, Japan, for the Orient flyweight title, Hitoshi Miskao (right) pounded out a decision to regain the crown he had lost to Danny Kid of the Philippines last June.

TEXAS BOXING NEWS
By Harlan Haas

SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS, JIMMY PARKS, PROMOTER:—Ray Riojas, the Cowtown Bomber, lowered the boom, so to speak, and it was curtains for Leroy Carter of Cincinnati and elsewhere, in the third session. Riojas came in at 136, Carter at 133.

Alberto "Danny" Cardenas, 145, San Antonio slam banged his way to a ten round semi-final victory over rugged Al Juergens, 149, also of the Alamo City. Eddie Brant, 143, Dayton, Ohio, applied the leather to the whiskers of Raul Reyna, 150, Corpus Christi, and it was all over in a couple of heats. Eloy Tellez Vann, 175, San Antonio, decisioned Harold Woodson, 187, San Antonio, in four rounds.

▶ Corpus Christi, Benny Lozano, Promoter:—Armando Flores, George Brown's promising young Mexican lightie from Houston, hammered out a close ten round decision over lethal punching Maxie Trero of Corpus Christi. It was a riotous affair with Trero closing fast, but a little late. A rematch is in the making. Flores scaled 140, Trero 138.

Gino Tovar, 122, Monterrey, edged willing Wilson Holley, 123, Houston Negro who launched his pro career in an action packed six. Jesse Hernandez, 148, Corpus Christi, eased past the clownish Houston welter, Killer Carl Foy, 147, in four. Ernesto Sanchez, 140, Corpus Christi, defeated Gene Nova, 138, Corpus Christi, and Ernest Davis, 159, Corpus Christi, iced Robert Brown, 154, Houston, in one heat.

▶ Beaumont, Texas, W. W. Farris, Promoter:—Paul Jorgensen, the Port Arthur flash and world's number nine ranking featherweight, returned to the scene of many of his earlier triumphs, the Beaumont Sportatorium, and flattened the State's third ranking feather, Joe Govea of San Antonio, in the fifth round after toying with his less experienced foe for four rounds. Jorgy weighed 124, Govea, 125.

Baltazar "Junior" Flores, 124, Port Arthur, needed a last round rally to edge past Hammerin' Henry Luera, 127, Houston, who was hitting the comeback trail. In another six, Floyd East, 136, Lake Charles, La., continued along the undefeated path, but had one of his toughest bouts stopping Pat "Bull" Brown, 137, Victoria, in the sixth. Harold Redman, 158, Beaumont, dumped the smaller Lester Brown, 154, Houston, four times in capturing a four round decision. In the opener, Lorenzo Hainsworth, 137, Beaumont, won over Wendell Romair, 140, Houston, who was making his first start in two years.

▶ Tyler, Texas, Earl Gilliam, Promoter:—Jacky Blair, 135, Dallas, stopped the willing New Orleans Frenchman, Hector Bacuetes, 140, in the third round of the main event at Mayfair Arena in Tyler. Donnie Fleeman, 176, Dallas, needed but one round to polish off Harold Woodson, 182, San Antonio.

Alvin Green, 178, Houston, hammered out a four round win over Eloy Vann, 175, San Antonio. J. D. Marshall, 208, Baton Rouge, stopped Steve DeJewski, 196, Dallas, in two. Johnny Hollins, 200, Austin, starched Sam Reed, 175, Dallas, in the fourth.

▶ Houston, Texas, Texas Boxing Enterprises, Inc.:—Aldo Mente, the club fighting Italian from Brooklyn, scored his second successive triumph in a Houston ring when he outscored the veteran Teddy "Red Top" Davis in a sensational give and take brawl. It was close, and exciting all the way, with the brawling Mente adding to his ever growing Houston area following. Mente came in at 138, as did Red Top.

The ten round semi-final was over in a hurry as Davey Walden, 128, Youngstown, Ohio, bombed Bobby Garza, 129, Corpus Christi, to slumberland in the first heat. Tommy Elder, 135, Cleveland, Ohio, a newcomer to these parts, looked sharp in stowing away Valentin Garcia, 139, Corpus Christi, in the third round. Johnny Bullard, 182, Oklahoma City, roughhoused his way to a thrilling four round victory over clever boxing Vince Corbi, 184, Philadelphia, and Robert E. Lee, 152, Houston high school student, rocked the gangling Bobby Jones, 152, Tyler, from stem to stern in the first round before putting him away for keeps in the second.

▶ Dallas, Texas, Lew Gray, Promoter:—Paul Jorgensen defended his State featherweight title against capable Joe Boland of San Antonio, and ended hostilities sensationally in the tenth round when he felled Little Joe with a series of lefts and rights. The referee did not even bother to count, and raised Jorgy's hand in token of victory. Paul tipped the beam at 126, Boland at 125.

Donnie Fleeman, 183, Dallas, stiffened big Lajuin Burks, 200, Houston, in the third. Ennis Cheatham, 173, kayoed Lee Chambers, 185, in two. Ted Dean, 128, and Rudy Gonzales, 128, had their bout declared a one round draw when Gonzales received a badly lacerated eyebrow, and could not continue. Boyd Rogers, 160, iced Dave Wilkins, 160, in the second.

▶ San Antonio, Texas, Jimmy Parks, Promoter:—Eddie Brant, Dayton, Ohio vet, who fights as a lightweight, welter and middle, according to a promoter's demand, tried his luck as a lightweight this time. Unfortunately, for Eddie, it must've seemed like Friday 13th, cause he toppled from the ring in his battle with Ray Riojas—with Ray on top (no this was not a rasslin' contest)—and he was unable to continue. Riojas, State lightweight boss, was declared the winner by a three round technical knockout. Ray weighed 135, Brant 135.

In the co-ten, Al Juergens, 147, San Antonio, annexed the State welter title by edging durable Danny Cardenas, 145, San Antonio. Al reversed a previous loss to Danny. Ernest Ramos, 138, San Antonio, decisioned Charles Patterson, 140, Austin, in six. Eloy Vann, 171, San Antonio, defeated Harold Woodson, 181, San Antonio, in five. Lupe Gutierrez, 165, San Antonio, beat Ray Chavarria, 161, San Antonio, in a four.

▶ Corpus Christi, Texas, Benny Lozano, Promoter:—Maxie Trero, 142, Corpus Christi, hammered out a convincing ten round win over rugged young Curtis Woolwine, 142, Beaumont, in the feature attraction. The iron jawed Woolwine absorbed Trero's Sunday shots, but refused to quit even though he was decked in the first, second, third, and tenth rounds.

Al Boudreaux, 141, former New Orleans boy now fighting out of Beaumont, was master of Valentin Garica, 142, Corpus Christi, all the way in their ten rounder. Boudreaux used his superior boxing ability to win easily. Juan "Lefty" Perez, 124, Corpus Christi, had too much experience for the willing Gino Tovar, 124, Monterrey, and won the 10 round decision. In the four round curtain raiser, Ernesto Sanchez, 140, Corpus Christi, kayoed Don Jenkins, 141, Beaumont, in the 4th round.

▶ Beaumont, W. W. Farris, Promoter:—Willie Pep toyed with Buddy Baggett in winning a lopsided 10 round decision at the Beaumont Sportatorium. Wily Willie was a darting dervish, and had the Dallas veteran befuddled with his trickery throughout the fight. Pep weighed 127, Baggett 125. Baltazar "Junior" Flores, 126, Port Arthur, knocked out Wilson Holley, 125, Houston, in the fifth round of the six round semi-windup.

Henry Luera, 128, Houston, was too much boxer for Ted Dean, 128, Dallas, and had his foe on the deck three times in winning a six round decision. Harold Redman, 158, Beaumont, kayoed William Reed, 159, Dallas, in the second round. Robert E. Lee, 147, Houston's fighting schoolboy from Wheatley High, keeps rolling on and looking like the great young prospect that he is in stopping tough Danny Cira, 145, Orange, in the fourth round of the opening bout.

▶ Lake Charles, Louisiana, Freddy Flores, Promoter:—Alex Vargas, 139, Galveston, decked stocky Ted Agapiou, 142, Pittsburg Greek, for the count in the second round of the top bout. In what the Lake Charles American Press called the best fight of the night, Baltazar "Junior" Flores, 127, Port Arthur, hammered out a six round decision over aggressive Pat "Bull" Brown, 135, Victoria.

Al Boudreaux, 145, Beaumont, won a unanimous decision over tall Bobby Jones, 150, Tyler, in another six.

BOXING IN THE CAROLINAS
By Chris Cline

THERE WAS ONLY ONE PROFESSIONAL BOXING SHOW staged during the past month in The Carolinas, that at Durham, N. C.

In the top bout, Johnny "Ace" Hand, 126, Durham, punched too fast and too often for Jimmy Calcutt, 127½, Florence, S. C., and copped the unanimous ten round decision.

In the co-feature, Little Cliff Eskridge, 110½, Carilo, Ill., kayoed Billy Morris, 125¼, Charlotte, N. C., in 1:02 of the second heat. Cliff put his bigger foe down twice.

Joe Thomas, 174½, Darlington, S. C., finished off Jack Armstrong, 188, Durham, in 1:16 of the first. Maurice Treadway, 129, Charlotte, outpointed Jack Overland, 123, Burlington, N. C., 6; and Charlie Porter, 164, Spartanburg, S. C., decisioned John Greenhill, 168½, Durham, in the other sixer.

This show drew a crowd of better then 750 fans who were rewarded with an action filled card.

New Faces by fred eisenstadt

ERNEST BURFORD

OUT in the sunny south there's a young 150-pounder who shaped up as a future middleweight threat. Manager Jack Lazarow's enthusiasm is natural and understandable, but top-notch fight trainer Johnny Sullo, who saw Burford in action, reports that Ernest—who was born in Memphis, Tenn., on April 15, 1935—is a skillful boxer, light on his feet and carries kayo power in either fist.

"Burford, who is 5-foot-10," says Sullo, *"is a thrilling boxer to watch in action. He fights a great deal on the order of Sugar Ray Robinson, his ring favorite."*

Son of a steel mill hand, Ernest reached the 11th grade of Booker T. Washington school, then decided to make pro boxing his career. He'd been a sparkling amateur fist-tosser, winning 49 of 52 contests and copping the Tri-State, Mid-South and AAU 1955 welterweight title at Montgomery, Ala.

Ernest, who has two brothers and two sisters, is a fine specimen of manhood—courteous, intelligent, ambitious and appreciative for what his manager is doing to advance him along the road to fistiana.

Trained by Willie Moore and Rye Ribblatt, the hard-punching Burford turned pro on Sept. 20, 1955. He blasted his first opponent into dreamland in less than a round. The second man he met suffered a like fate. He has won four fights—two by knocking out his opponent, *"Which proves he can punch,"* says Lazarow, *"I'm confident Ernie can hold his own against the better 150-pounders."*

In his fourth pro fight Burford won a 10-round decision over Al Hauser.

CHICO VELEZ

FANS at Sunnyside Gardens are cheering for a lanky young lightweight who seems to become more sensational with every showing: Chico Velez. What this courageous Latin is lacking in fistic finesse he makes up for in enthusiastic, unceasing slam-bang action.

Velez got his start at sock exchanging on the streets of lower New York City when he arrived from San Germain, Puerto Rico, in 1949. It was trainer Mike Rubino who spotted the 5-foot-10 youngster as a potential ring scrapper and undertook to prepare him for the ring. But as Velez was attending Seward Park high school—taking typing and music—Rubino encouraged him to continue with his studies.

"But Chico quit in the second term," informs Mike, *"and took a job doing construction work—and later delivering refrigerators. He began as an amateur in Jan. 1953—winning 11 of 13 contests."*

Born on Oct. 2, 1935, Angelo Velez has three brothers and two sisters. He lives with his widowed mother on Henry Street, in New York. Next to boxing, which he loves, Chico enjoys playing baseball and strumming on a guitar. Rice and beans still is his favorite food, but he won't turn up his

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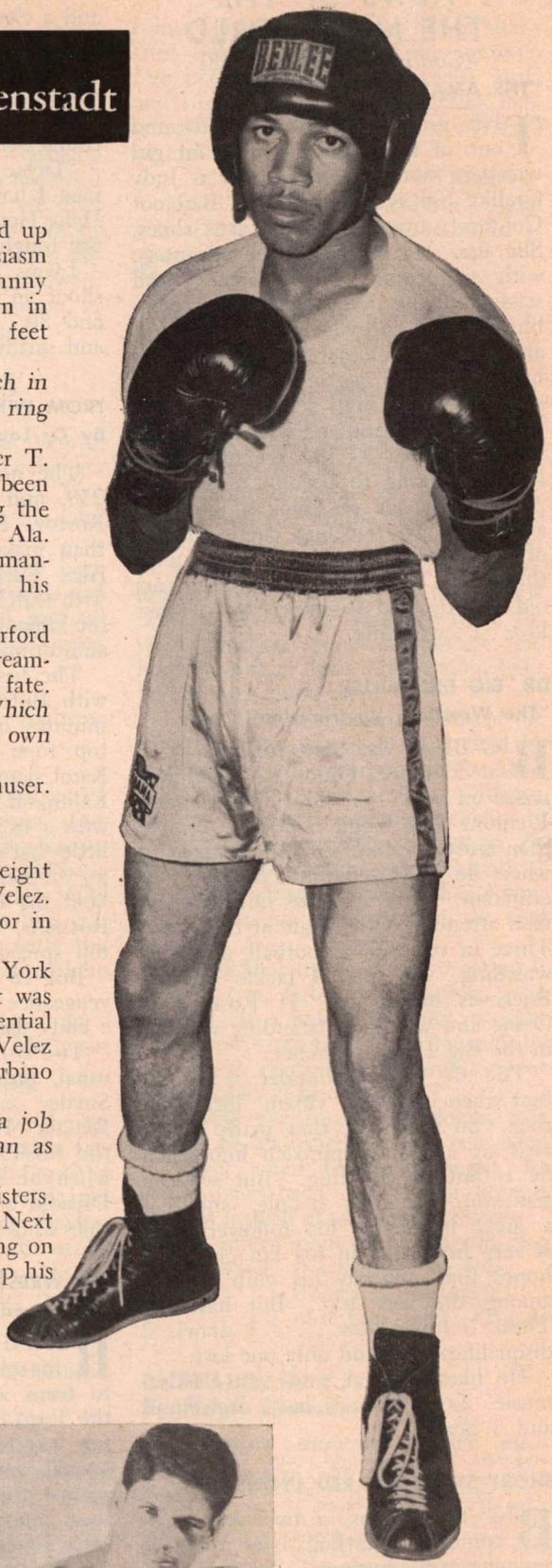
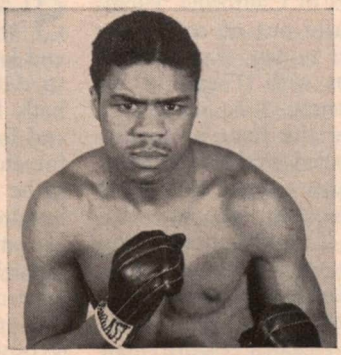
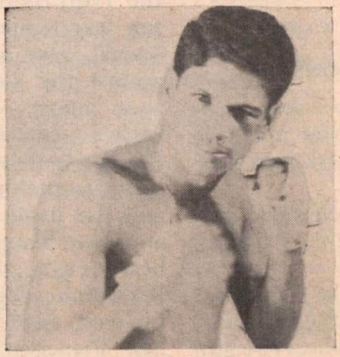


Ernest Burford is a 150 pounder from the South who shows promise.

Joe Baglio, New York middleweight, who looms as a comer.



Joe Davis is a welter with a whirlwind style so pleasing to the fans.



A lightweight from Puerto Rico, Chico Velez, is a prospect.

NEWS OF THE THE MAT WORLD

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"THE AMAZING JUDY GRABLE"

THE pride of Miami, Florida and one of the most talked about girl wrestlers in the country today is Judy Grable. She is known as the "Barefoot Contessa" for she wrestles sans shoes. She uses her legs to great advantage with such holds as the flying head scissors, flying toe holds, fancy combinations of cartwheels and dropkicks and many other aerial attacks. Judy was born 20 years ago. She's a natural athlete and in high school played on the basketball team and won top awards for swimming. At the age of 14 she started training to become a wrestler. At an early age she took a job with a well known traveling circus in one of the trapeze acts. She remained with the circus until she was 18 years old and decided to return to her first love . . . wrestling.

DR. BIG BILL MILLER
"The Wrestling Veterinarian"

BIG BILL, was born June 5, 1929, at Fremont, Ohio. . . . Bill was raised on a 135 acre farm and attended Fremont Ross High School. . . . He then moved on to Ohio State University where he graduated a full fledged Veterinarian. Bill was the only 9-letter man attending Ohio State at that time. Three in track, 3 in football, and 3 in wrestling. He played tackle for the Buckeyes during the '51 Rose Bowl Game and was an outstanding wrestler in the Big Ten Conference.

The 6′ 5″ 270-pounder is at his best when he is the "villain" inside the ring. So much so, that many of his fans are afraid to approach him when he is out of the ring. But we can tell you, he loves people, and has a great liking for his followers. He is very interested in his fan club and hopes that someday his club will be among the very top. Bill has met Thesz 6 times now . . . 3 draws, 2 disqualifications, and only one loss.

He likes classical, and semi-classical music. Loves animals, has a dachshund and 3 boxers.

SHORT STORY ON RED LYONS

BIG Red Lyons, a two year newcomer to wrestling, is as rough as any man in the business. Ask men who have faced him!

Lyons, 23, stands two inches over the six-foot mark and rocks the Toledoes at 232 pounds.

Starting as a professional in Hamilton, Ontario, Red received first class training under a former light-heavyweight and heavyweight great, Red Sims, who back during the '30's was a real toughie and a clever matman.

Having been a former high school football and hockey star, Lyons found amateur wrestling to be a snap. He uses tackles and plenty of rough body contact in wrestling.

"Jackie Nichols is about the smartest man I have faced," says Lyons, "while Hans Hermann and Bull Montana are the toughest."

Lyons likes to play golf and can shoot an 18 hole total of between 75 and 80. His choice foods are steaks and salads.

FROM WINNIPEG AND VICINITY
By Cy Louth

The mad Russians, Ivan Kalmikoff, 238, and his brother Karol, 238, of Rostov, Russia, could do no better than make it a draw in their recent Alex Turk-sponsored tag team match with Butch Levy, 240, Minneapolis and Ilio Dipaolo, 248, Italy, at the Winnipeg auditorium.

The first fall went to the Russians, with Butch Levy the victim, after 20 minutes of battle. Climbing to the top rope of the ring, while brother Karol slammed Butch to the mat, Ivan Kalmikoff landed on Butch's throat with a tremendous impact. The game little battler from Minneapolis, who up to then had been doing more than hold his own against the tempetuous Russians, was unable to overcome the top spread which followed.

But 18 minutes later, Butch gained vengeance when he subdued Ivan with a body slam following an airplane spin.

The last few minutes of the bout, as usual, proved a bedlam. Referee Joe Snyder, especially imported to assist Referee Franchy Champagne handle the tussle, drew boos from the crowd when he spent his time arguing with Dipaolo while the Russians, tossing all rules aside, played havoc with Levy.

THE WRESTLING WORLD
As Viewed by ED BRIGGS

RONNIE ETCHISON has delayed his scheduled midwest tour in order to team with Enrique Torres against the Togo Brothers in California. Etchison was temporarily out of action for several days after a tag team match against the Togos with Torres as his team mate. Ronnie was set for a midwest trip after the bout in Fresno (Calif.), but canceled midwest engagements so that he may take on the Togos and the hated Canadian duo of Mike and Ben Sharpe. . . . Winner of the heavyweight championship of Asia, Rikidozan, popular Tokyo star made his west coast 1956 debut recently in San Francisco. Dozan's countryman Koichi Endo, reputed to be close behind Rikidozan as a highly rated pro matman, is set for a lengthy California tour. . . .

Our old buddy Antone "RIPPER" Leone is tearing up the top notchers in the Dixie area. . . . The "RIPPER" is one of the greatest ruffians to come along. . . . Speaking of roughies, where is colorful "Brother Frank" Jares? He's been absent from the coast for sometime. . . . Ray Stern of New York recently added a feather to his cap after dropping highly rated Cyclone Anaya. . . . Steve Strelich likeable wrestler of some years ago, still showing top junior heavyweights and heavys at Strelich Stadium in Bakersfield, Calif.

Manuel (Hindu) Singh, stocky Californian, will show his wares in southern California rings this summer. Singh has wrestled in central California until recently under the Al Dermer banner.

SHORT ON BETSY ROSS
By Bob Utter

PETITE! Curvacious! And cute as a button. That's about the only way you can describe Betsy Ross!

This 20-year-old lass was born in Spencerville, O., and attended high school there where she sang in the school chorus, played trombone, trumpet and drums in the band and appeared in a number of stage productions before entering her teens.

Beautiful Betsy, whose 125 pounds are well placed on a 5-foot 2-inch frame, played the Hartman Theatre in Columbus, O., and has sung in a number of musicals.

The little Buckeye beauty is still a top entertainer at a house party or at a family gathering. Betsy does impersonations, pantomine records and signs popular songs. She loves to dance too.

As a wrestler, Betsy is good. Because of her size she must depend on skill and speed to win. Having been in the twist 'em and bend 'em fraternity for a little over two years she has already faced such big names as Penny Banner, Cathy Branch, Ann LaVerne.

SLAVE GIRL "MOOLAH"—
WORLDS JR. HEAVYWEIGHT CHAMPION

SLAVE GIRL MOOLAH, one of the real beauties in wrestling today and known as the "princess of the mat" to date has met all comers. Moolah hails from Johannasburg, South Africa and has been touring the United States for the past few years. She is a real globe trotter making appearances in hundreds of different arena's and cities. Wrestling fans see strange and wonderful sights when the magnificent Moolah appears. She is magnificent in her ring regalia and her wrestling style is exotic. She never wears the same outfit more than once.

WHAT PRICE RECORDS?

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scarce commodity. Old Ez Charles met as many high ranking fighters in his drawn-out career as any of our recent heavyweight kings. He started as a middleweight and was in there with ex-champs Teddy Yarosz and Ken Overlin, while still coming along. Charley Burley was another extra-formidable foe of Charles' in his early days.

Gene Tunney lost only once but while he has high ranking among champions, this doesn't automatically place him above the likes of Jack Dempsey and Jack Johnson, who were beaten more often, but none the less enjoy equal or more prestige.

ROBINSON AND PEP EXCEPTIONS TO RULE

In a few cases the records speak the whole truth, notably with Willie Pep and Sugar Ray Robinson.

Defeats are few and far between when the eye runs over the columns beneath their names in the Ring Record Book. This is a true picture of the prowess of these two extraordinary performers.

Records are not of too much help in reckoning the merit of the boys who were in action, roughly, from 1910 to 1920. This was the era of the no-decision bout and the real results of many of these settos are still shrouded in conflicting opinions.

Characteristic of this condition, is a long ago encounter between former middleweight champions Mike O'Dowd and Harry Greb in St. Paul. The late Dan Morgan always based O'Dowd's claim to greatness on that bout which he claimed was all in the Irishman's favor, but since all the record says is "no-decision", who can tell?

Even old time newspaper accounts are unreliable here, since the first report received of a "no-decision" fight was the one which appeared in the paper the next day, and more often than not, the manager of the "winning" fighter had simply beaten the other to the wire.

Cynics also claim that streak records can as easily be accredited to selective management as to the fighter's ability, and hold up Irving Cohen as a master at forging such victory chains. Weill, of course, is another, and Cus D'Amato, Floyd Patterson's manager, need take a back seat to no one here. To give him his due, D'Amato with Patterson, like Weill with Marciano, has the real thing, and caution must be the watchword lest a million-dollar prospect be ruined.

The only real way to assay a fighter's genuine quality is the logical one of judging the calibre of the opposition along with the won and lost record as wrong conclusions can be drawn from consideration of the record alone. Many fighters listed in The Ring Record Book have long strings of victories, with many knockouts, yet they are not found in the Ring Magazine ratings because the opposition has been mediocre and fighters who have met top men and lost some contests are far more eligible for such top ranking because of the calibre of the opposition. One must consider the opposition in gauging the worth of a fighter.

PUNCH LINES

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weight Championship of the World. It was something that a challenger must "capture" from the Champ. This definitely was not the case in the Chicago fight.

Since when can a challenger back pedal for practically thirteen rounds and still win as decisively as did Saxton? He could have given Wes Santee a good run for the four minute mile.

John O. Potter
Montgomery, Alabama

RAW DECISIONS

I am a close follower of fights, and I want to make known my reaction to recent contests such as the Basilio-Saxton and the Humez-Jones fights. What's wrong with American officiating? Why so many bloomers? TV fans like myself are becoming digusted with the raw decisions and if they continue, there won't be many TV fans left.

Clarence Cochran
Midland, Michigan

BASILIO-SAXTON FAIR DECISION

After the Basilio-Saxton bout the reports were spread that the decision was a very bad one. Especially did such a complaint come from the defeated champion. In my opinion Saxton fought a good bout and fought as he had planned, hence his victory. He deserves credit and shouldn't be panned as he has been.

Alex Lopez
Milwaukee, Wisconsin

AN OFFICIAL DECISION

I have been taking The Ring for eight years and think it is the best book on boxing. I note what you wrote about Sandy Saddler and agree with you and now I want to take issue with those who gave the unanimous decision to Johnny Saxton, relieving Carmen Basilio of his welterweight title. I just cannot see that decision and feel that "The Ring" should give us its view.

In the recent Chuck Speiser-Willie Pastrano fight I think Speiser deserved more than a draw which he got. At least that wasn't a title fight, but Pastrano got the breaks as did Saxton. Johnny punched with both hands, that's true, but he also did all the running. I've been a fight fan for many years and I cannot understand what has happened with our fight officials. What's wrong?

Charles W. Ramey
Philip, South Dakota

• Ed: *May Issue has Ring attitude.*

BY THE RULES

I take the privilege of writing this to you. I have been a boxing fan for many years—since May, 1937 to be exact. I often think what would boxing be today if it were not for **The Ring.** The work you people are doing for boxing, is the acme of perfection. You have kept boxing before us all, as the greatest sport in the world, this despite the investigations. No other sport can point to so many outstanding he-men as boxing. Unfortunately we do find a few unworthies but the majority stand for sportsmanship, good fellowship and honesty in their chosen profession. Let's be fair with these men.

I want to take issue with some of the rules recently adopted. I think that the mandatory eight count should be abolished. When a boxer is taking a licking, the eight seconds gives him a chance to recuperate temporarily, but then he gets more punishment and eventually is stopped or knocked out. Such a fighter often ends up a journeyman or trial horse.

I think that the records prove that it is such type fighter who suffers most damage. If a fighter requires an eight count rest every time he is downed, he is unfit to continue. The eight count merely adds to his misery.

I think the three knockdowns rule should be abolished. If this rule were in effect when Dempsey fought, he would have been one of the poorest champs instead of one of the greatest.

The return bout clause should also be abolished. It cheapens the title.

Robert B. McIntyre
East End, Sask., Canada

BUFFALO, N. Y.
By Hugh Shannon

ALL THREE BUFFALO FIGHT PROMOTERS—Tommy Lippes, Dewey Michaels and Nate Seeberg, who is now the executive director of the Niagara Frontier Boxing Club, say they want to promote shows but can't get outstanding matches. The Frontier called off its proposed card for March 20 and announces that it will soon set a new date for a program. The chances are that none of the clubs will run a show until late April or May.

▶ Joey Giambra, Buffalo middleweight, certainly had Lady Luck in his corner at Syracuse when officials gave him a unanimous decision over John L. Sullivan in a lively ten round setto.

Joey needs a lot of hard work to regain his good form. He didn't look too good in beating Al Andrews in Norfolk but Giambra fought a good battle against Bobo Olson, even though he lost. Giambra is Buffalo's best fighter and would draw a great crowd here if matched with a topnotcher. He and John L. Sullivan would pack 'em in if rematched.

Seen and Heard in new york

By JERSEY JONES

THE press dispatch out of Pittsburgh said that Johnny Fundy, counted out at the age of 62, had been "claimant of the A.E.F featherweight championship in World War I."

To set the record straight, Fundy was not a title "claimant." He was the real thing, the official 126-pound champion of our military forces in Europe, although he didn't have to fight to cinch his laurels. Tommy Gherity, who was to have been his opponent in the final round of that exciting tournament, had been shipped back home to the States. Johnny became champion by default.

Thinking of Fundy and the A.E.F. championships stirs up memories and sends them drifting back through the years to that momentous night in April, 1919, when the "fighting champions of a million fighting men" were crowned in the ring of historic Cirque de Paris in the heart of the French capital.

Boxing has made remarkable strides in spreading throughout the world in these last thirty-seven years—and the beginning of its expansion can be traced directly to the popularity of the sport with the American troops in Europe during and immediately following World War I.

Until then, boxing, even in the United States, hadn't enjoyed particularly high rating with the so-called higher echelons in our social scale. It was generally frowned upon as a hoodlum, back-alley racket, catering to riff-raff and other undesirable elements. It had been outlawed in three of the nation's major centers—New York, Illinois and California—and probably not more than a dozen states in the entire Union permitted it. Permitted? Tolerated would seem more aptly descriptive.

Along came the War, and boxing suddenly gained new and more flattering recognition. Not only was it the most popular form of diversion in the training camps, but invaluable in conditioning our doughboys for bayonet work and hand-to-hand fighting.

One world champion, middleweight Mike O'Dowd, enlisted in the Army, and scores of top ringmen volunteered their services as athletic instructors. Among them were Benny Leonard, Jeff Smith, Mike Gibbons, Johnny Kilbane and Richie Mitchell. (Mitchell later joined the Navy.)

Harry Greb, Al Norton, Joe Lynch, Toughey Murray and Memphis Pal Moore were only some of the many good 'uns who went into the Army, Navy or Marines. Freddie Welsh was assigned the task of helping to rehabilitate wounded veterans at the Walter Reed Hospital in Washington. Jack Britton was active in touring the camps, giving exhibitions and talks on boxing.

THE A.E.F. CHAMPIONSHIPS

When the War ended, squads of ringmen from the A.E.F. appeared in exhibitions in Germany, Italy and other European lands where boxing was practically unknown, and they were instrumental in getting the sport established there.

It was inevitable there would be a tournament to determine the boxing champions of our American Expeditionary Forces.

There is no saying how many ambitious hopefuls started. There must have been 2,000 or more, and a couple of months of eliminations were needed to get the job completed. The early rounds were staged at the various army bases scattered throughout France and Germany, with the semi-finals and finals going to Paris.

What a night for the grand finale The Cirque de Paris, with a seating capacity of 10,000, was jammed to its rafters with howling doughboys. General John J. Pershing, commander-in-chief of the A.E.F., was there, along with his staff. Other notables included Prince Leopold of Belgium; General Poillot of the French Army, and Admirals Fiske and Benson of the U. S. Navy.

No professional matchmaker could have done a better job in pairing the finalists. They were so evenly matched not one bout ended in a knockout, and only one knockdown was scored in the seven fights and seventy-three rounds. That was by Babe Asher in beating George Schreiber for the bantam title.

Every bout, scheduled for ten rounds, not only travelled its full route, but one match went three extra stanzas when no winner could be decided in ten. That was the welterweight affair between Billy Kleck and Johnny Summers. Referee Jimmy Bronson finally tabbed Kleck.

In the other classes, Bob Martin outpunched Fay Kaiser for the heavyweight title; a youthful New Yorker named Gene Tunney decisioned Ted Jamison in the light-heavyweight showdown; Jackie Clark outfought Riz Walters for the middleweight laurels, and Leo Patterson was too shifty for Bushy Graham in the lightweight get-together. (Graham, incidentally, was a Brooklynite, and not to be confused with the Utican who later used the same name to become outstanding in bantam and feather competition.)

After being declared featherweight champion by default, Fundy appeared in a six-round exhibition with a local French boxer.

Bronson, athletic director of the Y.M.C.A., and Jake Carey, of the K. of C. athletic staff, alternated in the refereeing assignment.

WHERE ARE THEY NOW?

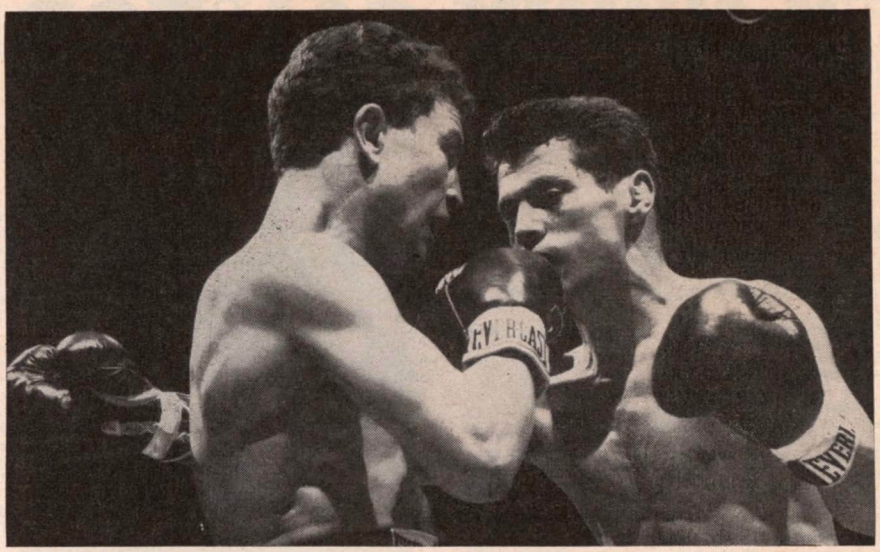
The years move on, sometimes all too swiftly, and the news of Fundy's passing starts you wondering what has happened to the rest of the cast in that A.E.F. championship finale.

Gene Tunney, of course, is still around. Gene has done all right for himself since that night in Paris thirty-seven years ago. He went on to become world heavyweight champion; quit the ring with a sizable fortune, married into an even more robust fortune, now lives with his family on a big Connecticut estate, and is active in a half-dozen successful big-time business ventures.

The ageless Jimmy Bronson also keeps in circulation, although not quite so prominently as a few years ago when he teamed with the late Lou Brown to operate one of the largest and most prosperous fight stables in the nation. Jimmy still maintains an office on Broadway and every now and then comes up with a newfighter to manage.

Jake Carey died a while back in hometown, Rochester, N. Y., but until this dispatch about Fundy came in from Pittsburgh, it had been quite a spell since you last heard anything of the others. So far as you've been able to learn, however, they're all still alive, but where they are and what they're doing, you wouldn't know. They've faded completely out of the boxing scene.

Tempus does fugit, and all too often the heroes of yesteryear are the forgotten men of today.



Cherif Hamia, French featherweight champion (left), made impressive American debut by outfighting Carmelo Costa in last boxing show scheduled for Madison Square Garden until Barnum & Bailey-Ringling Bros. circus completes its annual spring stay.

BROWN TV SPONSORS' DELIGHT

With the Ringling Bros.-Barnum & Bailey circus shoving boxing out of Madison Square Garden for seven weeks, this would seem a propitious moment to call attention to a remarkable record credited to Matchmaker Billy Brown.

Brown, responsible for the International Boxing Club's Friday night attractions, has established an all-time record for the Garden. Every one of his last twenty main events has gone its scheduled route. There hasn't been a knockout in a Garden windup since Floyd Patterson stopped Archie McBride in seven rounds last July 7.

In checking back through the records, we find the longest previous streak of non-kayos in main bouts was when the brand-new Garden, opened by Tex Rickard in December, 1925, staged fourteen shows before producing its first abbreviated headliner. That was when Jack Delaney flattened Mike McTigue in the fourth round in March, 1926. Jess McMahon was Rickard's matchmaker in those days.

Brown must be a popular individual with the TV sponsors who like to have their attractions go the limit so they can get in their full quota of commercials. Knockouts may be desirable to the public, but not to the advertisers.

Brown's remarkable streak cannot be attributed to a parade of light hitters. Billy has tossed some real bomb-throwers into the Garden ring. To name two, where could you find more prodigious thumpers than Carmen Basilio and Eduardo Lausse? And there certainly is nothing futile about the punching of Gene Fullmer, Gil Turner, Milo Savage, Virgil Akins, Johnny Sullivan, Tiger Jones and some of the others who've appeared in the Garden during this stretch.

A large part of the answer, of course, is that Billy Brown knows his fighters and how to pair 'em. Talent may not be too abundant these days, but Billy has been getting the most out of what little there is.

ODDS AND ENDS

Bert Lippe, son of old-time manager, the late Al Lippe, drops in to tell us he has left the Gotham Health Club and is now devoting his rare talents to conditioning clients at the Surf & Spray Club, 363 West 56th Street. Bert has no regrets for leaving the uncertain fight business three years ago. He says there's nothing to compare with a regular weekly paycheck.

It's been a long, long time since Frank Bachman has had much to chatter about in this trade, but in Herman (Rory) Calhoun he has the best prospect to come under his managerial wing since Slapsie Maxie Rosenbloom quit the ring nearly twenty years ago. The White Plains youngster, improving every time out, seems a sure shot to hit the middleweight division's top brackets ere long.

Joe Rizzo has been having an exciting time of it of late. Along with his regular chores as assistant trainer of Hector Constance and Johnny Sullivan, he's been playing guide to and interpreter for the visiting French delegation. Incidentally, after his bruising brawl with Ralph (Tiger) Jones in the Garden, Charley Humez accompanied his wife on a rush hop back to France for her father's funeral. They expect to return here shortly. Charley wants another crack at Jones. The bantam member of the troupe, Alphonse Halimi, also flew home for a date with Dai Dower in London. Trainer Marcel Petit went along with him. Meanwhile, Manager Philippe Filippi and featherweight Cherif Hamia plan to remain in New York for a while. Hamia has a busy American campaign lined up.

Discussing French ringmen, we hear that the not so youthful Georges Carpentier still has youthful ideas. Now 62, he has just taken unto himself a bride, the former Mlle. Brigitte Massis, a shapely model of 29. In recent years, Gorgeous Georges has been running a fashionable bar near Opera Square in Paris.

It looks as though the Rookie of 1955 is well on his way to becoming the Flop of 1956. After his spectacular freshman campaign last year, Boston welterweight Irish Bob Murphy has bumped into real trouble so far this annum. In two meetings with another Hub youngster, overblown lightweight, Walter Byars, Murphy has been beaten decisively in ten rounds, then knocked out in five.

THE month's results:

Getting off to a fast start with a first-round knockdown, Johnny Busso, 140, East Side, went on to box and punch his way to a clean-cut decision over aggressive Frank Ippolito, 139¾, Bronx, in a lively eight at Sunnyside Garden. It was a short right to the chin that spilled Ippolito in the opening frame. Frank didn't appear to be seriously hurt, and hopped to his feet immediately, but had to take the mandatory eight-count. He fought stubbornly the rest of the way, but Busso was a bit too shifty for him. The only knockdown of the night was registered in one of the preliminary fours when Ira Williams, 130¾, Brooklyn, suffered a gashed left eyebrow and was not permitted to go out for the final stanza against Joe Donovan, 129½, Astoria. In the other preliminary numbers, all fours, Mannie Davis, 147, Washington Heights, outpointed Joe Lissy, 149½, Yorkville; Archie Whitfield, 162¼, Harlem, decisioned Johnny Webster, 157½, Brooklyn; Danny Jones, 143½, Brooklyn, won from Tony LaGreca, 145, East Side; Joe Jacobs, 200, Brooklyn, whipped Rudy Graves, 190, Brooklyn, and Charley Douglas, 140, Harlem, finished ahead of Al Dixon, 139, Long Island City.

▶Althought he won handily enough, Isaac Logart, 147¾, Cuba, had a few rough moments with youthful Gaspar Ortega, 152, Mexico, during the first half of their Latin-American ten in Madison Square Garden. Making his debut as a major TV performer, Ortega displayed little respect for the reputation of his heavily-favored opponent, and for five rounds his aggressiveness and bobbin, weaving tactics made things uncomfortable for Logart. The Mexican couldn't maintain the pace, however, and began to fade in the sixth. Aside from a dying rally in the ninth, when he scored with several looping rights, Ortega was well beaten during the bout's second half, Logart scoring repeatedly with jolting left hooks and fast two-handed combinations. Johnny DiGillio, 147½, Bayonne, N. J., outfought Johnny Gorman, 138, West Side, in a busy semi-final, listed for eight but cut to six because of TV time. In sixes, Tony DiBiase, 148½, Astoria, whipped Johnny Lissy, 147, Yorkville, and Itzy Wallace, 147½, East Side, decisioned Bobby Douglas, 145, Philadelphia. Another Philadelphian lost in the opening four when Jerry Black, 140½, was outpointed by Tommy Roberts, 136, Harlem.

▶After Miguel Berrios, pleading illness, pulled out of his return match with Bobby Bell at St. Nicholas Arena, Promoter Tex Sullivan had a hectic time arranging another main event on less than 24 hours' notice. First, Tex scampered around town, in the worst snowstorm of the winter, looking for a suitable featherweight to substitute against Bell. Unsuccessful, he then went after a brand-new match. Contacting several gyms for available talent, he finally grabbed Rinzy Nocero, 164, Brooklyn, and Said Khelfa, 169½, a visiting French-Algreian. The bout was what could have been expected in the circumstances. Khelfa was awkward and tough, but limited in ability, and Nocero, aggressor throughout, scored with enough left hooks and occasional right swings to assure himself the decision after ten rounds. Khelfa's left eyebrow, nicked in the fourth, was ripped wide open in the tenth. The semi-final six produced on old-fashioned back-alley brawl, Irish Mickey McGrath, 168½, Greenwich, Conn., outslugging Tommy Danetti, 173, Brooklyn. In another six, Joe Baglio, 153½, Brooklyn, whipped Otis Woodard, 150½, Memphis, Tenn. In fours, Julius Rhodes, 131½, Brooklyn, won from Johnny Betancourt, 141, Long Island City, and Vic Compo, 134¼, Brooklyn, disposed of another Brooklynite, Gene Tyler, 131½, at 1:23 of the first.

▶American fans finally got a peak at Charley Humez, 159, French holder of the European middleweight title, and they seemed to like what they saw, even though the visitor was adjudged to have lost to Ralph (Tiger) Jones, 157½, Yonkers, in an exciting ten in Madison Square Garden. One slim point in the scoring separated the rivals at the finish. In rounds, the three officials had Humez and Jones even, Referee Ruby Goldstein tabbing for the Tiger, 5-4-1; Judge Bert Grant voting the same for Humez, and Judge Bert Grant calling it all-square, 5-5. Grant, however, gave it to Jones in points, 8-7, and that was the payoff. To this agent, it looked as though Humez's strong finish entitled him to the edge. The rugged, plodding Jones had all the better of the early going, his left hooks and right counters jolting the Frenchman repeatedly. Humez's nose began to bleed as early as the first round, and a deep gash was ripped over his left eye in the fourth. But Charley kept plugging away, and gradually whittled down Jones' big early lead. The busy Frenchman, with a well-educated left, bounced jabs and hooks off Jones' face in a constant stream. Humez also used an effective left hook to the body, and in the closing rounds he reached the tiring Tiger with several hard rights to the head. In the semi-final, cut from eight to six, Walter Brown, 132½, Baltimore, outpointed Gene Butler, 134, Boston. Mickey Spataro, 134½, Bronx, whipped Al Tisi, 128½, East Side, in another six. In fours, Joe Davis, 147½, West Side, decisioned Iggy Zotto, 151, Brooklyn, and Tony Santiago, 157, Harlem, beat Billy Montella, 157, Bronx.

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IN SUNNY CALIFORNIA

By BILL MILLER

MY good friends Eddie Muller of the San Francisco Examiner and Jack Fiske of the San Francisco Chronicle differ on the spelling of big Charles Powell's first name: Eddie calls him "Charley" and Jackson calls him "Charlie". So I'll call him Charles.

Both agreed, however, that he's right back in the fight picture.

Well, Charles Powell, Suey Welch's heavyweight, 209, covered himself with glory at the San Francisco Winterland by scoring a sensational 3-round knockout over Charley Que, 188, Henry Armstrong's pride. It was the first time Que was ever stopped.

Funny thing: Powell, former defensive end for the San Francisco '49ers', had some of his team-mates in the audience—and believe it or not, they were pulling for Que.

Not that they disliked Powell: quite the opposite. But they want Charles back on the team next Fall; he's a tower of strength, and the footballers believed that if he lost to Que he'd forsake the ring for good. But they wound up cheering long and loud for the big boy.

Powell boxed beautifully. He was completely relaxed and exuded confidence; blocked well, and was out in front all the way. Two months ago, in a meeting with this same Que, the fight ended in a technical draw when Powell received an accidental butt.

This time there was no question about the outcome. Powell took the first round, and ten seconds before the bell ended the second, he cut loose with a vicious attack that had Que sagging and rubber-legged. The bell saved him.

Charley—or Charlie—lost no time in getting to work when the third began. He cornered Que against the ropes, cut loose with a furious barrage and Referee Frankie Carter had no alternative but to halt hostilities. The time: 24 seconds.

The six-round semi between Sammy La Crosse, 140, Modesto, and Chuck Courtney, 144½, Oakland, was called a draw. The fours: Hank Casey, 155, decisioned Willard Henry, 161; Billy Walker, 130, TKO (1) over Manny Granados, 135; and Don Kelly, 150, duked Doug Garrett, 150.

▶There was a sour finish to the Davey Gallardo-Gil Cadilli fight at the San Francisco Garden when, during a skirmish on the ropes, Cadilli accidentally butted the state featherweight champ over the right eye, inflicting a deep gash.

Referee Fred Apostoli immediately called a halt and paged the club medic, Dr. Robert Laddon. He recommended immediate stoppage.

Checking his score-card, Apostoli found that Gallardo was leading on points, 11½ to 10½ and under commission rules, he raised Davey's hand.

Net receipts were $1,055. The fight was not televised, and the gate was a disappointment.

Gallardo's state 126-pound title was not at stake. He weighed in at 130; Cadilli, 129½.

The semi-final, an unexciting six-rounder between Jiggs Reed, 149, and Hank Casey, 153, was called a draw.

In another six, Tommy Villa, 172, finished fast to win the decision over Bull Halsey, 175.

The opener, also a six-rounder, went to Don Chestra, 138, after he scored a couple of knockdowns over Billy Beals, 133.

▶The Olympic Auditorium, my old alma mater, was held up the morning after the Jimmy Carter-Don Jordan fight and robbed of something like $30,000, according to reports. I had an alibi: I was in San Francisco. Babe McCoy, who was then on the witness stand in the famous boxing investigation, came up with a good crack.

"I hope they won't accuse me of that", he remarked. "They've charged me with everything else."

▶Everyone, of course, has been reading about the Great Boxing Investigation and Hearing that went on in Los Angeles during the month of March. There isn't enough room in this entire monthly to give space to the thousands upon thousands of words that were recorded in its process.

Principal target was Babe McCoy, matchmaker of the Olympic Auditorium and one of the best-known men in boxing. Charges of all kinds, short of murder, were hurled at him. They dug back in McCoy's past for 35 years.

I resigned from the Olympic Auditorium on January 1st of this year, after more than 20 years as publicist there. For twelve of those years, McCoy had been the matchmaker. For nigh onto thirty years he has been my friend. I know that he has staked and fed hundreds of broken-down fighters and managers.

They dug up alleged "bag fights" that were ten and fifteen years old. They had one witness who swore that he went "into the tank" five years ago; under cross-examination, by Babe McCoy himself, he admitted that five years ago he testified, under oath, in a State Athletic Commission investigation, that he did NOT take a dive.

"Which time" thundered McCoy "were you committing perjury?"

Remember that toast? "My country: may she always be right; but right or wrong, my country!"

That's how I feel about Babe McCoy; may he always be right, but right or wrong—my friend.

▶Not too popular was the decision at the Olympic Auditorium when former world champion Jimmy Carter, 138, had his hand raised in token of victory over Don Jordan, Los Angeles, 138, before a crowd of 6,407 and a gross gate of $20,924.

A rematch seems likely. The officials were in unison: Referee Charley Randolph saw it 57-53; Judges Dynamite Jackson and Jimmy Wilson turned in identical cards, 55½-54½—all for Carter.

But the fans didn't go along with that. They booed the verdict long and loud. It was a rugged, hard-fought scrap, not particularly exciting.

Before the fight, an anonymous caller phoned the police that a time bomb had been planted at the Olympic, with enough dynamite to blow the entire building to smithereens. It was set to go off between 10:15 and 10:30, said the gent.

It didn't. It was just another in the series of bomb threats that have failed to materialize. Cowardly screwball stunts.

It was odd in this particular week, with the boxing hearing in full bloom, with charges and counter-charges flying back and forth, that the two local clubs drew exceptionally big houses. The Aragon-Giovanelli fight at Hollywood, on Tuesday, grossed over $16,000; and the Carter-Jordan scrap, two days later at the Olympic, hit nearly $21,000. The fight was not televised.

In the TV ten, Earl Dennis, 144, stablemate of Jimmy Carter, won a split decision over Giancarlo Garbelli, 146, of Italy. The Italian finished strong, and there was some scattered booing over the verdict.

The fours: Bobby Robledo, 127, decisioned Al Wilcher, 126; Danny Perez, 158, decisioned Wilford Cordell, 157½; and Joe Chavez, 136, drew with Tony Reyes, 134½.

▶Though no longer a consistent winner, Wildcat Phil Kim of Honolulu was regarded as a definite test for young Dave Johnson, pride of San Francisco's Fillmore district. Fans thought of Kim's long string of knockouts as he traded heavy wallops with Johnson in the first four rounds of their encounter at San Francisco's Winterland Arena. But in the fifth and sixth Johnson did all the pitching, and Kim lost by a TKO in the sixth as the result of a deep cut on the left eyelid. Each boxer weighed 146.

In a scheduled six rounder, veteran Andy Walker, 205, S. F. suffered a leg injury and lost on a TKO in the final round to Calvin Chambers, 200, of Sacramento.

Walker, leading the fight, fell as he retreated and Chambers crashed on top of him. Chambers got up, but Walker could not regain his feet. He was taken from the arena on a stretcher after Dr. Lastreto reported a pulled muscle in Walker's right leg.

Promoter Jimmy Murray's gross was $1,138, the best since the start of the local Thursday TV matches.

Outcome of fours: Doug Garrett, 148, KO'd Deacon Bryant, 150, in 1; Bob Butcher, 200, stopped Oscar Tully, 190, in 2.

▶Some of the boxing "eggsperts" in L. A. told Art Aragon to hang up his gloves a couple of years ago, but the Golden Boy, slightly tarnished, is still in there pitching. He scored a 9th round knockout over Danny Giovanelli, Brooklyn, at Hollywood Legion Stadium, and thereby in a measure achieved vengeance—for Giovanelli is one of the very few fighters to hold a duke over Vince Martinez.

And it was this same Martinez who gave Aragon one of the worst beatings of his career at Hollywood Ball Park, almost two years ago, before a crowd that paid over $130,000, to see the scrimmage.

Aragon, 148, was credited with every round except the sixth. He gave Giovanelli a brutal beating; opened Danny's eye in the 7th, and nailed him with every punch in the book—chiefly left hooks and right uppercuts. It was the second kayo of Giovanelli's career. The Brooklyn boy weighed 149.

Aragon was seconded by the controversial Harvey Knox, father of Ronnie Knox, the UCLA football star, who Art announced, will henceforth manage him. Both Aragon and Knox were heartily booed by the crowd. But the fans had paid a gross of $16,100—5,100 of them—and for that kind of dough you're entitled to make with the boo.

The 9th round had hardly started when Aragon nailed Giovanelli with a hard right to the jaw, followed up with two vicious left hooks to the head. Giovanelli sank to the canvas, his right eye bleeding, his jaw numb, and was counted out by Referee Frankie Van.

Coming, as it did, shortly after some of the explosive testimony in the boxing hearing, the win was a sort of vindication for Aragon.

Candy Lopez, 129, scored a one-round TKO over Benny Coca, 129, in the semi, scheduled for six.

The fours: Jeff Palma, 131, decisioned Tommy Carlis, 130; Renato Munoz, 150, KO (2) over Jimmy Blair, 147½; and Rogello De Leon, 127½, KO (4) over Dick Sanchez, 122.

▶Howard King of Reno can now bill himself as the man who twice lasted the distance with Champion Archie Moore. His second battle with Moore drew a packed house to the Memorial Auditorium in Sacramento. The ovation of the 4100 fans who paid $8302 indicated satisfaction with the performance of both battlers, though a few observers thought Archie eased up on King when he had him in tough spots. Weights: King, 188; Moore, 191.

King bled from a cut over the right eye every round after the second, when he hit the deck for eight. King was also on the floor in the fifth, when a right to the ribs and another to the jaw put him down for nine.

Scorecards favoring Moore were: Referee Johnny Bassinelli, 62-48; both judges, 60-50.

Fred Pearl and Jackie King handled the promotion.

Two fights scheduled for six did not go the distance. Sammy LaCrosse, 140, of Modesto, TKO'd Russell Davis, 139, in the fourth. Bob Scrivens, 184, McClellan Air Base, stopped Tom Busby, 190, Stead Air Base in the first. Busby suffered a cut eye.

In the fours Willie Lewis, 158, dec. Al Jackson, 158; Frank Elias, 135, drew with Leo Thomas, 137.

▶Ramon Fuentes did not look like the welterweight champion of California in the first three rounds against Mickey Savage at The Auditorium in Richmond, Calif. But in the fourth, one good overhand right to the chin erased all of Mickey's point advantage as the Detroit boxer hit the canvas with a thud. Mickey arose at nine, but Referee Fred Apostoli awarded Fuentes a TKO. Weights: Fuentes, 153; Savage, 148.

The program was televised locally, and drew $1003 gross. Promoter: Jimmy Murray.

Chick Howell, 173, S.F., outpointed Charlie Black, 165, Richmond, in six.

Results of fours: Marvin Marcus, 134, dec. Jimmy Walker, 133; Tiger Jackson, 170, drew with Clyde Benbry, 182; Don Kelly, 153, KO'd Rocky Brown, 154, in 3.

▶The torrid Latin temper of Lauro Salas, which he generally manages to keep under control, got the better of him at the Olympic Auditorium, and the man who suffered most was his opponent, Ralph Capone of Chicago.

Lauro is a live-and-let-live guy. He'll go along with any opponent, content to hold his own. But when something happens that Lauro considers unethical, he goes berserk. Capone berserked him, and as a consequence bit the dust in Round 3.

Honors were even at the end of the second heat. In Round 3, the boys were in a clinch; coming out of same, Capone suddenly lashed

cut at Salas, who was trying to back away. He landed four harmless punches. The punches were harmless, but they aroused the tiger in Salas.

From then on, he was a human hurricane. He smashed Capone with a volley of lefts and rights; dropped him to the deck for five. A few seconds later he had Capone helpless on the ropes. Well, that's about the story: Referee Dynamite Jackson stopped the fight.

Danny Perez, 155¼, stopped Del Moore, 156½, in the second round of the semi-final. The fours: Al Garza, 149, decisioned Jimmy Plair, 148½; Rudy Cisneros, 116, defeated Danny Gonzalez, 116; Cal Houston, 164, defeated Lloyd Buchanan, 165; and Frank Jennings, 141, duked Lloyd Fowler, 141.

▶ Jimmy Palazolla, 164, won his 22nd straight pro fight by trouncing Hurley Sanders, 162, at Hollywood Legion Stadium, before a crowd of about 1800. The verdict was unanimous. The boys tried hard, but from the spectator's standpoint it was "love's labor lost".

Palazolla is unbeaten as a pro. But to become a drawing-card hereabouts, he'll have to do better than he did against Sanders.

Paul Armstead, 130, scored a one-round kayo over Manuel Batiste, 129½, in the semi-final, scheduled for six. The fours: Chalky Freeman, 152, decisioned Billy Voges, 143; Larry Rosadilla, 144, decisioned Herman Beasley, 145; and Art Lopez, 140, duked Lloyd Fowler, 140.

▶ Boxing observers are well acquainted with the jinx which seems to attend a good fighter's first appearance in another locality. For years Northern Californians had been hearing about the prowess of Young Jack Johnson of Los Angeles, California state heavyweight champion. In his first fight in the Bay Area, Oakland fans were disappointed when Johnson was matched with Ben Wise. Wise, with just a fair record and a light punch, was not considered a match for the super-rugged Johnson.

Those fans that went to the Oakland Civic Auditorium were treated to the outstanding fistic surprise of the season. For three rounds Johnson boxed methodically, seeming to hit Wise at will. Most of the spectators thought he was setting Wise up for a kayo.

But in the fourth Wise nailed his highly-favored opponent with a left and right to the chin which deposited Johnson on the canvas. Jack arose after a short count, but reeled into the ropes as Wise smothered him with punches. Referee Vern Bybee halted proceedings. Time, 1:10.

Wise, of Oakland, weighed 201; Johnson, 205. Jimmy Dundee promoted the show.

Tommy Villa, 175, Decoto, scored a close decision over John Carroll, 172, Richmond, in six rounds.

In another six, Chico Arroya, 135, Oakland, outpointed Davey Lee, 137, Reno.

Jimmy Walker, 134, drew with Alvin Moore, 140, in 4.

▶ Seldom does the referee get more attention from the press than the main event boxers. But when capable referee Frankie Brown miscalculated by one point in his addition, the mixup "stole the show" from Joey Benson and Frankie Campos, the headliners at San Francisco Garden.

Carter's card showed 54½-54½ at the end of the ten rounds, and Announcer Jack Reed told the fans "a draw." After most of the spectators left the arena, the addition error was discovered. The revised score showed Benson the winner, 55½ to 54½. One of the headlines next day read: "Benson Winner in Recount."

Benson, 123, from Los Angeles, got revenge against Campos, 119, of S. F. Campos had decisioned Benson in a close battle several months before.

The card was promoted by Benny Ford.

Jiggs Reed, 150, Oakland, TKO'd Calvin Payne, 155, S. F., in the last stanza of the six round feature.

Prelim fours: Ruben Orona, 150, dec. Deacon Bryan, 149; Jerry Hall, 144, outpointed Alfred Sanchez, 145.

▶ Archie Moore, 194½, didn't exactly cover himself with glory as he annexed the unanimous verdict over Frankie Daniels, 182½, at Hollywood Legion Stadium. Daniels entered the ring with a bad eye, and it got worse as the fight progressed.

The turnout was good, but the figures varied. Cal Whorton in the Times said the gate was $8100—estimated. Moore, he said, got 35%, Daniels 20%. John Hall, Mirror-News, reported that the gate was $6900., with Moore taking home $3000, Daniels $1300. Wish these boys would get together on their figgers.

All three officials—Referee Charley Randolph, Judge Lee Grossman and Jimmy Wilson—turned in identical cards; 58-52, for Moore.

The fight was just so-so. Let it go at that.

Sonny Gill, 158, scored the unanimous verdict over Rocky Slater, 157, in the six-round semi. The fours: Jake Sanchez, 148, decisioned Al Garza, 148½; Connie Citizen, 156, decisioned Herbie Jones, 155; and Babe Antunez, 129½, decisioned Rudy Laura, 129.

Former world lightweight champion Jimmy Carter gained a close decision in a rugged, hard-fought match with Don Jordan at the Olympic Auditorium with the gross gate over $20,000.

▶ Jim Cody, 165, of Oakland, carried his limited experience of nine fights into the ring against Esau Ferdinand (43-15-7). The California lightheavyweight champion kept ahead of Cody all the way in their ten rounder at Winterland arena in San Francisco. Few observers gave Cody more than one round, the fourth, when the youngster scored a series of sharp combinations to the head.

Ferdinand, 164, making one of his rare appearances in his home city, scored a knockdown in the second. Referee Vern Bybee had a 58½-51½ point total for Ferdinand.

The card was promoted by Jimmy Murray.

Irish George Sullivan, 139, San Rafael, waged a spirited scrap with Vinnie Hines, 140, S. F. Verdict was a draw in the six rounder.

Four round prelims: Willie Walker, 130, dec Davey Lee, 128; Alvin Moore, 139, drew with Jimmy Walker, 134; Reuben Hernandez, 175, TKO'd Hurricane Sims, 170, in 2.

▶ Joey Dorando, fighting son of a fighting father, 146, won the first main event of his career and his tenth straight triumph by trouncing Joe Abasta, 147½, at the Olympic Auditorium.

The two Joes had one thing in common; they were co-winners of the "prelim fighter of the year award" by the Southern California Boxing Writers. At that time, both were undefeated. Dorando stayed that way; Abasta dropped a close decision to Gene Tortorice a few weeks ago.

Referee Charley Randolph saw it 57-52; Judge John Thomas, 56-53; and Judge Russ Bradford, 59-50, all for Dorando.

It was a big night for Papa Dorando, proprietor of a popular Italian restaurant in Hollywood—and, incidentally, an old friend of mine. I handled a fighter against Papa Dorando 28 years ago, in Jersey City.

Larry Maldonaldo, 159, defeated Danny Perez, 155, in the six-round semi. The fours: Wilfred Cordell, 154½, TKO (2) over Paul Anderson, 160½; Jimmy Plair, 149, decisioned Del Moore, 152; and Al Tovar, 129½, decisioned Norbert Galindo, 129.

▶ There were no knockdowns in the ten round swatfest at Stockton's Civic Auditorium between Cliff Schellin, 161, and Reno Abellira, 159. But the fans wondered what held them up as they each receipted for solid wallops throughout the contest. Referee Johnny Reno ruled it a draw.

Sam LaCrosse, 139, Modesto, outpointed Davey Lee, 138, of Reno, in the six round semi.

Four rounders: James (Tiger) Jackson, 168, dec. Hurricane Sims, 163; Al Loretz, 160, outpointed Joe Neal, 159; Tony Paris, 143, dec. Alfredo Sanchez, 145.

Bobby Jones, Oakland middleweight, is well known to thousands of television viewers, who remember his fast-action performances in several bouts, including a knockout over Gil Turner. Most of these fans never heard of Hank Davis, Los Angeles battler. This did not bother Davis in his ten-round clash with Jones at Fresno. Hank took the decision—most observers gave him six rounds, with four even. Weights: Davis, 158, Jones, 157.

The Memorial Auditorium program drew $2014 gross. Frank Manfredo refereed. Al Dermer promoted the bouts.

In another ten rounder, Frank Skidmore, 150, Oakland, outpointed Chuck Courtney, 144, S. F. Courtney was down for a nine count in the eighth.

Four round prelims: Joe Brewer, 158, TKO'd Kid Francis, 157, in 4; Andy Carmona, 130, dec. Max Telles, 129; Marvin Marcus, 139, stopped George Weimer, 139 in 4; Hank Casey, 156, outpointed Louie Andrade, 160.

▶ Another grand old-timer took the full count from the Great Referee, when Dan Tobey, 78, one of the ring's great announcers, passed away.

The first time I saw Dan Tobey was in 1919, at the Palais de Glace in Paris, when I was a soldier on special duty in Herbert Hoover's office. Later, in California, I got to know him rather intimately and like everyone else, was very fond of the chubby little fellow with the genial smile and the fund of stories and anecdotes.

His voice is stilled, but his memory will live long.

Dan detested a microphone, and it was years before he could be wheedled into using one. He was seen in many a movie, the third man in thousands of fights on the West Coast.

For more than 50 years Tobey's voice was heard at every boxing arena in the Southland.

▶ Another boxing celebrity, California Jackie Wilson, once Pacific Coast welter champ, died of cancer in Cleveland at the age of 38. He was widely known in boxing circles, and held wins over former world champions Ceferino Garcia and Fritzie Zivic.

As an amateur, Wilson had an astonishing career. He won 50 of his 51 fights; his only defeat coming in the final bout of the 1936 Olympic Games at Berlin.

Jackie was managed by Walter Melrose, now a resident of Palm Springs. His pro record: 45 wins, 19 defeats, 5 draws.

Soft-spoken and courteous, Jackie was a credit to the boxing game.

I publicized his first professional bout, twenty years ago.

▶ A 20-year old kid from Denver named Ray Griego, but publicized all week as Ray Greco, made a hit at the Olympic Auditorium, L. A. by trouncing the 2-1 favorite, Benny Artist in a 10-rounder. Griego, 142; Artist, 137.

Artist was installed as choice on the strength of his upset win over the youthful veteran Bobby Woods a couple of months ago.

Griego survived an 8-count knockdown in the opening round.

The verdict was not unanimous. Referee Reg Gillmore scored it 56½-53½; Judge George Latka 56-54, both for Griego. Judge Jack McDonald had it 56-54 in favor of Artist.

Al Wilcher, 129½, decisioned Tomahawk Turner, 128, in the featured four. Other fours: Freddy Monrot, 150½ and Vince Davi, 147½, drew; Rudy Lara, 134, decisioned Johnny Hobbs, 134; and Ray Avalos, 188, decisioned Dave Martin, 128½.

▶ Underdog Henry Davis, a 2-1 shot, upset the dope at Hollywood Legion Stadium by trouncing Art Ramponi, Richmond, in a grueling scrap. Davis, 138; Ramponi, 137. Gross gate was $3124; the show was televised.

The 29-year old Honolulu veteran was favored by the two judges, John Thomas, 58-52, and Mushy Callahan, 57-53. Referee Tommy Hart scored it 56-54 in favor of Ramponi. About 1800 fans attended.

Both boys tired near the finish, but they were roundly cheered by the customers at the final bell.

Rudy Mendoza, 141, decisioned Jesse Jones, 139, in the six-round semi. The fours: Ray Copeland, 141, decisioned Billy Blevins, 142; Herman Beasley, 143, decisioned Pete Ruiz, 143; and Rinaldo Terrazas, 138½, TKO (2) over Bob Fiki, 141.

▶ Jake Williams of Los Angeles, using a southpaw stance, baffled Howard King of Reno for one round. After that the more experienced King had things his own way, and he wore down Williams to score a TKO in the fifth. King, 185, and Williams, 186, were slated for ten in the main event at Winterland arena in San Francisco.

There were two sixes. Billy Beals, 132, Oakland, TKO'd Gypsy Mike Mitchell, 136, Sacramento, in the third. Reuben Hernandez, 177, S. F., lost by decision to John Carroll, 174, Oakland.

Four rounders: Hurricane Sims, 170, dec. Buddy Ragsdale, 163; Alvin Moore, 138, out-

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IN SUNNY CALIFORNIA

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pointed Bob Rubi, 142; Sylvester Flores, 149, dec. Deacon Bryant, 148.

▶ Lightweight contender Joe Lopes kept up his winning ways before the home folks in Sacramento when he stopped Reuben Smith of Los Angeles in the sixth round. They headed the program at Sacramento's Memorial Auditorium. After losing the first round, Lopes was in command from then on. Smith was smashed to the canvas twice in the sixth, apparently rising too quickly in each instance at the count of three. As Smith reeled, his manager, Duke Holloway, jumped into the ring to halt proceedings.

Weights: Lopes, 134; Smith, 133. The house grossed $4,086.

In the semi-main, Joe Louis III, 187, Oakland, TKO'd Bob Scriven, 182, McClellan Air Base, in the fifth. Referee Johnny Bassanelli halted the bout when a Louis left closed Schivens' left eye.

Willie Lewis, 159, Sacramento, drew with Benny Walker, 154, S.F., in six rounds.

Bill Thomas, 139, decisioned Frank Elias in 4.

▶ A well-attended testimonial dinner in honor of former world middleweight champion Ceferino Garcia was held at the Blue Palm cafe; a bad cold prevented my attendance. But I was there in spirit, for at one time I had a "piece" of Garcia—a quarter of a century ago. Ceferino was presented with a check for $1,000.

▶ Primo Carnera has opened a bar and restaurant on Pico Boulevard, near the Fox-20th Century Studio. He'll probably be his own best customer.

Incidentally, Da Preem didn't go overboard in his praise of Joe Louis as a rassler, after the announcement was made that the Brown Bomber had turned to the mat. But one of Carnera's quotes gave me a real giggle:

"I wish him lots of luck. He'll need it. Rassling is a tough game. In rassling, you got to know your way around."

Indeed you do. Around and about, too. And underneath.

▶ Eddie Chavez of San Jose has lost several crucial battles to the top-ranking lightweights, but he still carries too much power and experience for the brash youngsters. One courageous battler who came to grief at the hands of Eddie was Billy Fraser of Los Angeles, who was knocked out in the fifth round at San Francisco Gardens.

A hard left to the jaw put Fraser down in the fifth. Referee Vern Bybee halted the contest after counting nine over Fraser. In going down Fraser's head bounced off the ropes. He was still wobbly ten minutes after the bout ended. Weights: Chavez, 138; Fraser, 139.

Mickey Savage, 148, scored a technical knockout over James Howard, 147, in six rounds.

The fours: Bull Halsey, 178, dec. Walter Robinson, 182; Ruben Oerona, 149, outpointed Alfredo Sanchez, 144.

▶ Bolden Abrams of Philadelphia invaded Richmond, Calif., and made Leonard Gaines the target for his heavy punching. Though he shook up Gaines on several occasions, the Richmond speedster kept on the aggressive, and his relentless attack won him the point decision in ten rounds. Referee Frankie Brown voted 58-52 in favor of Gaines.

Battleground: Richmond Auditorium. Gross receipts: $1388. Weights: Gaines 136, Abrams 135. Jimmy Murray promoted.

Sammy LaCrosse, 142, Modesto, drew with Dave Wagoner, 144, Oakland, in six rounds. Billy Walker, 130, Oakland, outpointed Davey Lee, 133, Reno, in another six.

Other results (fours)—Manny Grandos, 134, drew with Jimmy Walker, 135; Tony Moss, 148, KO'd Doug Garrett, 148, in 1.

▶ Cordell Jones of Reno has scored numerous knockouts against heavier opponents, but his speed and power was ineffective against George Parmentier in their scheduled ten rounder at Eureka's Municipal Auditorium. Parmentier, 250, took all the best shots of Jones, 182, and came back to kayo Jones in the third. Parmentier is from Portland, Ore.

Signal for the finale came when Parmentier landed a long right to the whiskers. Jones hit the floor, and dragged himself to his feet at 8. Paramentier's payoff smash was a left hook, after which Referee Marty Watkins counted Jones out. Gross receipts were $2165.

The preliminary card was marred by a couple of "no shows" due to transportation difficulties. One of these gaps was filled by a fast exhibition four-rounder between Maxie Green and Jimmy McCoy, Eureka welterweights.

The special event, heralded for six, ended in the second, with Frankie Brown, 142, San Francisco, knocking out Edgar Jones, 146, of Modesto.

▶ Charley Que, 183, a protege of Henry Armstrong, battled ten rounds to a draw with big Ben Wise, 206, of Oakland, in the top feature at Winterland in San Francisco.

Referee Jack Downey, the sole arbiter, gave each battler 55 points. It was a fast action scrap all the way, with both receipting for ponderous wallops. They paced themselves well, and were flailing away at the finish. This was the first experience for Que for the ten round route.

Al Barbero, 151, went six rounds to a draw with Johnny Milton, 146. Sports writers acclaimed it as the best fight seen in the Bay Area in months.

Prelim fours: Herschel Bailey, 165, KO'd Dwight Barringer, 165, in 1; Don Webb, 146, stopped Young Sierra, 146, in 4; Bob Butcher, 201, halted Dick Tanner, 188, in 2.

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On Monday nights, strictly for radio and for Sports Broad-cast Network, numbering some 46 independent radio stations. Each show was beamed to the Armed Forces Service around the world through WMCA in New York.

GOT THE STUFFING KNOCKED OUT

The mysterious razor-like slit in the glove of Johnny Saxton which appeared in the third round of his fight with Carmen Basilio for the world welterweight championship, requiring a halt to proceedings (and giving the challenger a welcome breather) was not the first time this has happened with the TV cameras tuned in.

Philadelphia middleweight Joey Giardello, fighting in Norfolk, Va., on January 27, 1955, in a televised show against Al Andrews, had, after a series of punches in the first round, his left glove split widely between his first finger and thumb.

Horsehair cascaded, as if out of Al's midsection and a local wag (naturally) hollered, "He's knocking the stuffings out of Andrews."

A-ROUND AND A-BOUT

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Conn figured to be very fast and would be difficult to catch.

"He can run," said Joe, *"but he can't hide."*

Neither Peter Mueller nor Ernie Durando seems destined for any measure of ring greatness and therefore it really doesn't matter much whether Tweedledee or Tweedledum won the fight that took place in Milwaukee on December 28, 1954.

What is important, however, is that once again a court has upheld the ring tradition that the decision of duly-appointed officials is final. In the Mueller-Durando contest Mueller was credited with an eighth-round kayo. Durando protested on the ground that he should have been awarded the victory after he floored Mueller a couple of times in the second round. He took the matter to court. A lower court agreed with Durando but the Wisconsin State Athletic Commission carried the matter to the Wisconsin Supreme Court, highest in the State. That court ruled that an official decision could not be changed.

This "long count" lasted fourteen months but the right guy won.

"LC" STANDS FOR LIGHTWEIGHT CLASS

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train in Pittsburgh. Mickey Davis trains me and it's great."

L. C. lives with his mother-in-law in Youngstown. He has been married four years and he and his wife, Ernestine, are proud parents of Kevin, 3, and Karen, 1.

"It's a kind of big family now. My mother-in-law, Margie Whatley, is wonderful but we're getting too big for the house."

He goes dancing a lot, rock-and-roll style, likes to watch all sports, and occasionally makes trips to Cleveland to watch a big-league ball game.

Ray Robinson is his favorite fighter. He explains his first loss, to Elmer Lakatos, in which he was stopped in four rounds, as something that just happened.

"He hit me with a good punch. I was up but they stopped it."

But that's all behind him now, under the Tannas regime. He knows what he's fighting for, too. He wants his own home, and a business, like a bar and grill. He is a fancy dresser and has yet to buy a car.

"They can't stop me," he repeated. "With Tannas behind me, I've got to be champion. God willing, that is."

IN SYRACUSE RINGS

By Billy Shaw

RETURNING TO SYRACUSE FOR THE SECOND TIME, following a donnybrook with Jackie LaBua, John L. Sullivan, Preston, England, middleweight, turned in a rousing performance with Buffalo's classy Joey Giambra. Giambra was awarded the decision but a lot of folks who sat in at War Memorial ringside for the nationally televised battle, thought John L. entitled to a draw. Amazing, that crowd. Most of the 2,400 who paid to view the fight, were ringsiders. They laid it on the line to the tune of $7,472.

It was a ding-dong battle with Sullivan forcing the going, landing some hefty clouts, especially in the sixth when he hurt Joey. But the flashy Buffalo boy, a bit ring rusty, stepped up his offense after that round and gave Sully some good licks. Joey moves fast, works good inside and that's where he accounted for his best punching.

Jimmy Watkins, 150½, Buffalo, was awarded a very unpopular decision over Juan Tejada, 148½, Oneida, in the six round semi-final. Juan repeatedly beat Jimmy to the punch and should have had the duke. George Kartalian, 181, Syracuse, scored his 13th consecutive victory by stopping Johnny Hobart, 190, Warren, O., in the fifth round.

Burke Emery, 164, Massena, took a point win over Jimmy Garcia, 163, Mexico City, in a smooth six. Eddie Reynolds, 145½, Syracuse, drew with Bruce Foote, 150½, Binghamton, in a four round lid lifter.

▶ We were saddened to learn of the passing of a great guy, Morris (Bouncer) Friedman, who died in Cleveland recently. The Bouncer was widely known in Syracuse. A former ticket taker at boxing shows, and a rough, strong, character, he also served in the capacity of a bodyguard for VIP's as a sideline. The Bouncer had a lot of friends here who will miss him.

THE REAL McCOY ON BABE?

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And there was George Hansford, former California fighter, who said in 1944 he attempted a comeback and that McCoy and a series of managers set up fights for him in which he was told at least a half dozen times "not to cut up the other fighter" and "in what round I was supposed to lose." The fights were with Allie Stolz in Newark and Jimmy McAllister in Baltimore and Enrique Bolanos in San Antonio.

Hansford spoke of the fight that was rigged in his favor, against Roscoe Scalley in Las Vegas and added, "This was lucky for me, cause I could hardly stand up. Soon after, I quit the ring."

Hansford, it is recorded, gained a decision over Scalley in 1946 and was knocked out by Scalley in San Diego later the same year. He testified the two fights were fixed.

And testifying also was soldier Eddie Stanley, who had over a hundred fights as a professional lightweight and in the 1940's was a manager. He told of taking heavyweight Ira Hughes to Portland to fight Joe Kahut. Stanley said he had instructions to throw the fight.

"I told him (Hughes) he was to get out of the fight early because I had been told to take the fighter up there and get home as quickly as possible," said Stanley.

Stanley continued. "And in the fourth round he took one in the eye and we got out of there."

Chief counsel Cox asked, "Who gave you the instructions to get out of there early?"

"Babe McCoy," answered Stanley.

A retired heavyweight, Young Harry Wills, a voluntary witness, told the committee he threw a bout in Baltimore to Jimmy Bivins. He said he repeated the act against Harry Matthews at Spokane the following year.

Wills said his trouble really began at Baltimore late in 1950 when he crossed up the fix-fight boys and outpointed Freddie Beshore, then hoping for a title shot.

Wills said that Beshore's manager approached him and told him he could make $4,000 or $5,000 if he went into the tank with Freddie.

Wills said he later decided not to lose the fight. The records show he won a ten rounds split decision from Beshore on November 20, 1950.

Later in Los Angeles, Wills went on, he was offered a rematch by Beshore's manager, provided he would lose. At first he agreed but then they backed off when they feared Wills would cross things up again.

To reluctantly speak his piece came veteran lightweight Carlos Chavez who, wilting under forceful examination, admitted he "went into the tank" in the first round of a rematch with Art Aragon at the Olympic Auditorium on November 21, 1950. Chavez a few months before had decisively outpointed Aragon in ten rounds.

BUT these fix charges were but a small part of Governor's Knight's ring probe. Tearing and ripping Los Angeles boxing to shreds, the state's counsel in attempting to bring out the real McCoy, produced testimony that the Olympic Auditorium matchmaker was acting as an undercover manager, cheating fighters, controlling "front managers," associating with hoodlums (many of gangland's big names were brought into the fiery discussions) and, in general, running the works in West Coast ring circles, the works including the State Athletic Commission.

Not all the names, not all the charges, not all the witnesses and not all the testimony produced can be recorded here. It is not necessary. The important point is that it has been produced and has been placed into the state records' hands.

The vast web of corruption was hardly believable. It sounded fantastic, improbable. And yet each witness came forth and helped weave the tale into one gigantic and lucid pattern. As you heard it unfold you felt that this could not be truth, that this was in error, there was an inaccuracy. But slowly and with a surety the picture took shape and the untruth and errors and inaccuracies were lost amid the overall condemning evidence.

Even the fighters involved could not believe it easily as it was all pieced together. As Carlos Chavez's tale was unfolded he himself was dumbfounded and amazed at the way he had been "taken." He winced and was visibly moved as the "phantom funds" from his purses were brought to light, wisped and faded in the hearing room. It made a bitter and sordid story, as the fantastic discrepancies were uncovered and the ruthless manner in which he was "cut up" clearly showed in black and white.

Stating that all his fights had been lined up by McCoy since he (Chavez) bought his own contract from Johnny Forbes in 1949 (Chavez acts as his own manager), the fighter explained that he received his purses for Olympic Auditorium bouts cut up in four different checks. One check went to the Olympic for back debts, one to McCoy for back debts, one to the Managers Guild and one to himself.

It was revealed in a comparison of Chavez's income tax forms and pay sheets on his fight purses that there was always a phantom sum of money missing for each fight.

For fighting Jimmy Carter (October 15, 1953), Chavez listed on his income tax he received $1,259.20. His actual purse on the breakdown sheet was listed as $1,888.

Against Johnny Butterworth (April 4, 1953) at Eureka, Calif., Carlos thought he earned only $300. The breakdown showed $683.

Against Phil Kim (July 14, 1953), he said he got only $515.23. The breakdown sheet listed $683.98.

Against Bobby Why (March 24, 1953), he said he earned $438. Again, the actual purse was listed as $657.

Chavez couldn't explain the missing money.

If they were fixing fights five years ago, there is no reason to believe the same practices were not being done three, two, one years ago, or up to the time of the governor's probe. If they were operating as undercover managers then, there is no reason to believe they are not doing it now. If they were cutting up and cutting in and cutting down fighter's purses at the time, why think that they have stopped?

Every line of reasoning would indicate that the same filthy and sinister manueverings that had been going on are continuing.

It is good that all this is being brought out in the California probe. It would be better if more strenuous efforts were made to bring the investigations "up to date," however.

For instance, in the testimony given it was brought out that three years ago a member of the California State Athletic Commission, Archie Closson, asked Police Chief William H. Parker to investigate a report of a "fixed" fight.

The Los Angeles police did not do so, Parker said, because it was felt that such an investigation should be made by the commission.

Closson told him, Parker said, that the commission lacked the funds and the personnel to conduct such an investigation.

We presume that the matter of the "fixed" fight, if proven at the time could mean prosecution for those involved, was dropped.

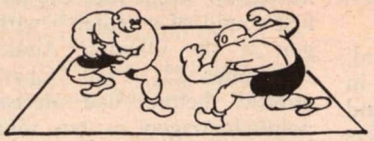
Someone was grievously at fault.

Governor Knight, who initially authorized an outlay of $50,000, alloted an additional $30,000 for the probe.

A final report of the investigating committee will be submitted to Governor Knight within sixty days, by the end of May. The report no doubt will lead to sweeping changes in the organization of the California Commission and in those who handle the boxing business in that State. It may go further.

The further the better. The rope is ready and waiting.

THE MAT WORLD



By NAT LOUBET

ON AND AROUND THE MAT WORLD

BACK in June 1948, Lou Thesz conquered Wild Bill Longson to gain a semblance of recognition as the world heavyweight title holder of grab, grunt and groan. He further consolidated his position by a win over Orville Brown and then in 1952 received the universal NWA recognition by his defeat of Baron Leone.

From then to the present, he has been unbeatable with only a draw decision or two to mar a perfect record but with no competition being strong enough to lift his crown.

He was one of the few men to defeat Antonino Rocca when that worthy invaded the U. S. from his Argentina homeland. His bouts with Leone and series of five matches with Verne Gagne, were standouts in his spectacular career.

Back in March, Thessz lost his title to Whipper Billy Watson, a 236-pounder from Toronto. The match took place in Watson's home town and the challenger, famous for holding titles in Australia and in Canada, made good his boast that someday he would win the world title. Though well known for his use of "The Whip" which he copied from the world renowned, now deceased, Danny O'Mahoney, and for his "Canadian Avalanche" holds, he used neither of these to dethrone Thesz.

The finish of the fast one fall match came when Watson put a corkscrew hold on Thesz who headed for the ropes, dragging Watson with him, Thesz stumbled and they both landed outside the ring.

The party got rougher and Watson lifted the stunned Champ and body slammed him. He then quickly jumped back into the ring to beat the count of the referee, ex-heavyweight boxing champ, Jack Dempsey. The count reached ten just as Watson climbed into the ring. Thesz lay outside the ropes as his crown was liften from his head.

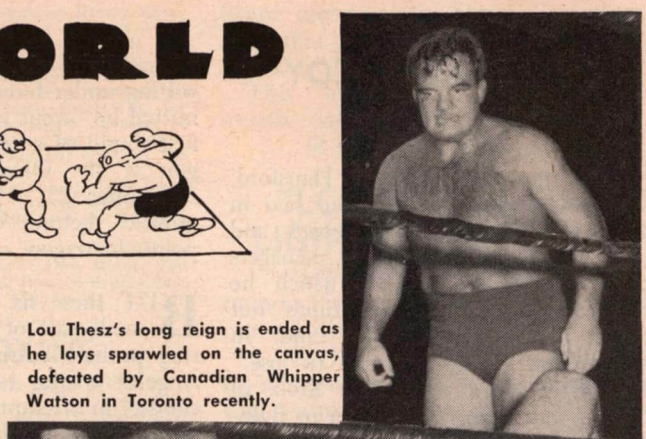
The natural supposition in wrestling circles was that Thesz would regain his title when next they met.

A return match was set up at the St. Louis Arena in April, in what was considered a neutral territory so that neither wrestler could claim he had been "jobbed." Thesz who has always been considered a worthy champ and the fastest big man in the game was disqualified after twice kangeroo-kicking Watson off the apron of the ring. The referee, John Turner, stopped the match after repeatedly warning Thesz of his rule infractions. After being kicked out of the ring on the last occasion Watson's hand was raised by the ref in a token of victory. Not satisfied Thesz hauled off and socked Watson, sending him reeling to his feet and then took a poke at the referee. The result was a 60 day suspension for Thesz and the retention of the title by Watson.

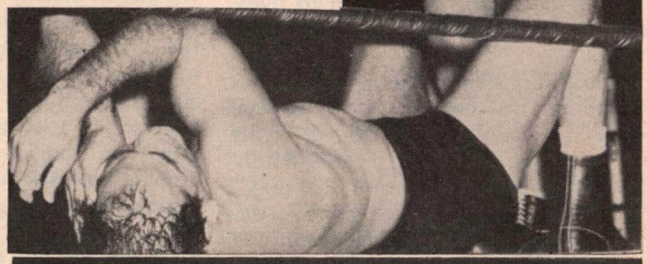
Thesz, who has been managed by one of the all-time wrestling greats, Ed "Strangler" Lewis, at thirty-seven, and in perfect physical condition for a six foot one inch, 237 pounder, believes he is still the best of the wrestling fraternity and will win back his title.

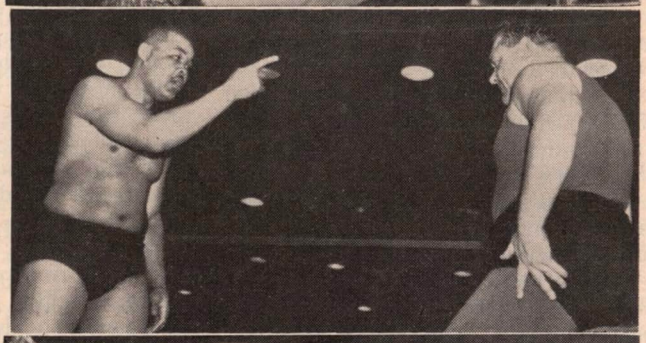
OTHER EX-CHAMPS

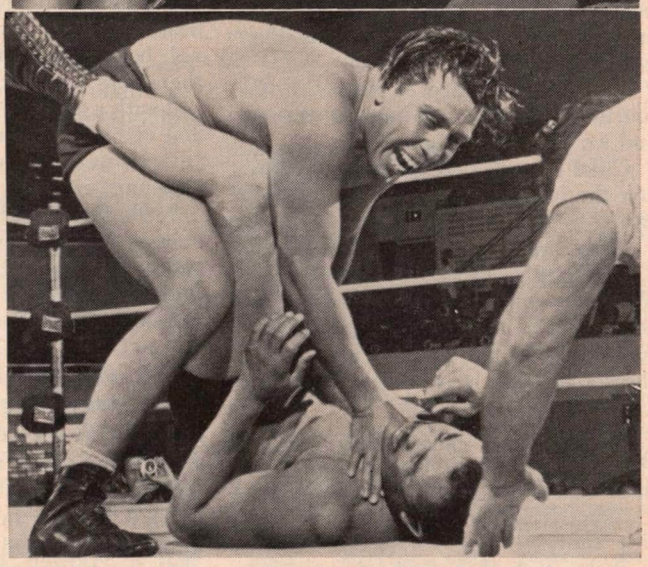
All of which brings us to a trio of ex-heavyweight boxing champs who have gone Thespian in a big way. Primo Carnera was the first of the ex-heavyweight title holders to make a comeback in sports via the mat game. The hard times he had gone through and the bad deal he had received in boxing, caused most followers of the beak-busting trade to make allowances. Especially so in Carnera's case since he had been a bit of a clown while in boxing, it seemed like a small step to wrestling. Not so of Jersey Joe Walcott, a legitimate king of the fistic world, who made his pile and so far as is known, had no need to add to the green stuff he picked up in boxing. The last of the trio is the world famous Joe Louis, known to all as "The Brown Bomber".



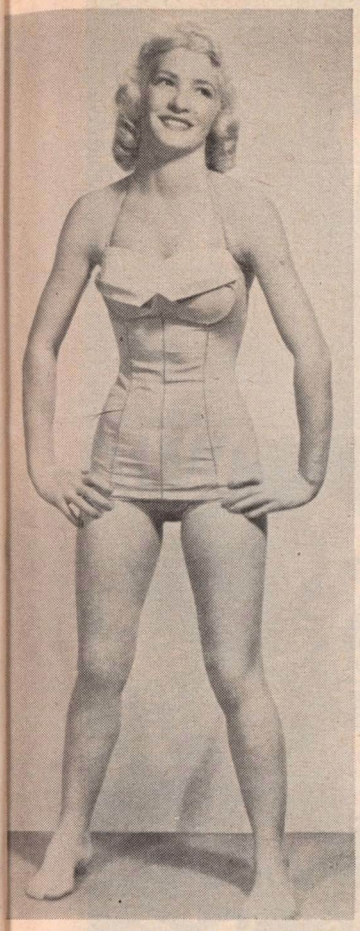
Lou Thesz's long reign is ended as he lays sprawled on the canvas, defeated by Canadian Whipper Watson in Toronto recently.





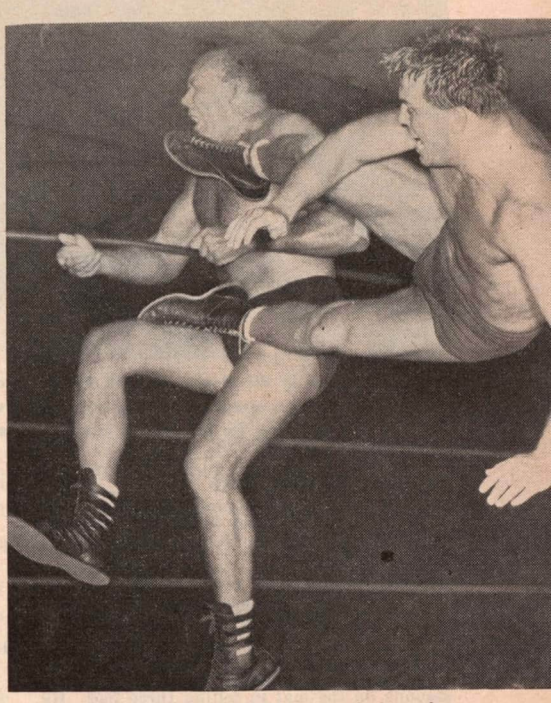


(Middle photo) You Get the Point? Joe Louis, turned wrestler, warns opponent Don "Cowboy" Lee not to play too rough. End came in eleven minutes as Lee was thrown from the ring.
(Above) You Can't Pin This on Joe. Louis later wrestled Charro Aztec who pinned him to canvas. But Joe shook off the hold and won the match.

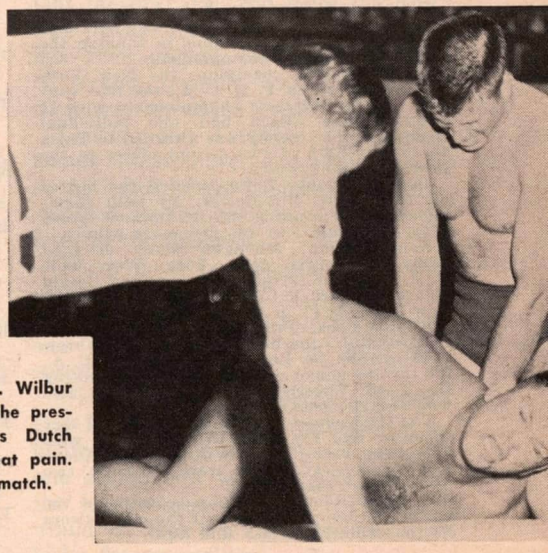


Judy Grable, the Barefoot Contessa from Miami, Fla. Her ring tactics are truly amazing, using her legs to great advantage.

Betsy Ross, the little Buckeye beauty, besides being an accomplished wrestler is a top entertainer, doing impersonations, pantomines and singing popular songs.



Getting His Kicks. Ronnie Etchison dropkicks Milwaukee's Fred Von Schacht in a Fresno, Calif. match. Etchison won in two straight falls.



No Dutch Treat. Wilbur Snider applies the pressure and gives Dutch Heffner one great pain. Snider won the match.

Under the guidance of "Nature Boy" Buddy Rogers, Louis is learning the holds and grimaces as well as the growls that make modern wrestling less authentic but more colorful and a big gate attraction. In Louis' case he owes a wad to Uncle Sam but from reports received the amounts he has been obtaining from his wrestling endeavors will barely keep him in clothes much less help him to pay up his debts. This seems like a net loss to the once great athlete whose mantle of purple becomes more faded and jaded with every mat appearance. If he isn't making a killing what is he gaining?

STONE, UC COACH PASSES ON

Henry A. Stone, 54, wrestling coach for 29 years at the U of California passed on of a coronary thrombosis. He was the National wrestling chairman of the NCAA and National chairman of Judo for the AAU. A former wrestler, writer and student of physical education, Stone contributed much to the sport and will be missed.

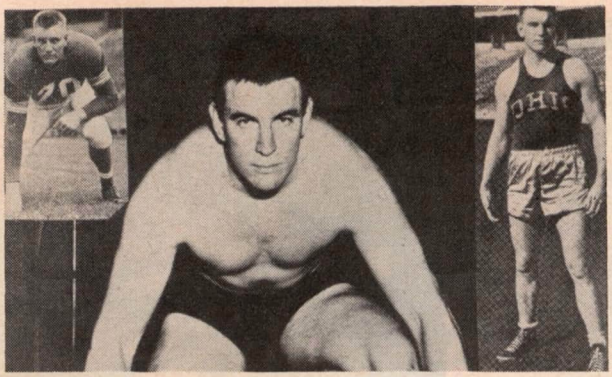
RESULTS

At the Winterland in San Francisco, Yukon Eric, Canadian strong man, took care of two opponents in less than nine minutes. He downed Joe Blanchard in 4:42 and then took the measure of Juan Humberto in 3:58 with a bear hug. . . . Boston Arena fans saw Antonino Rocca, bare footed wonder of the Argentine defeat Emil Dusek, of Omaha, in straight falls. Rocca won the first fall at 13:10 with a flying head scissor and body press. He then went on to gain the second and final fall with a back breaker at 8:51. . . . At Hartford's Foot Guard Hall, Johnny Rougeau, Montreal, and Buddy Lee of New York, were both disqualified by the referee for punching him. The match was called "no contest."

Verne Gagne went all out at the Detroit Olympic to throw Hans Schmidt with a reverse body spin at 25:34. Both had been thrown out of the ring during the match.

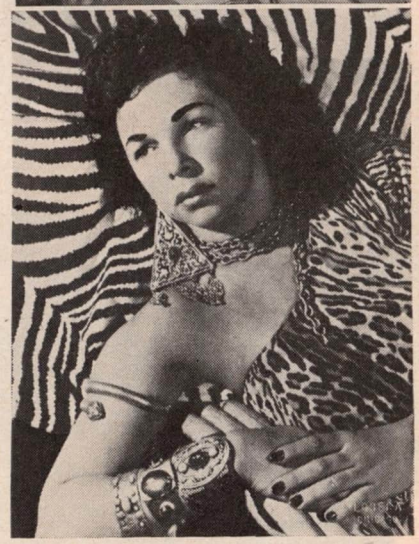
At the Baltimore Coliseum Big Bill Miller defeated Don Lewin by a knockout . . . an unusual happening in a wrestling match. Also unusual was the mayhem that broke loose as fans attempted to get at Miller to display their anger at his rough tactics. This was a rematch of a bout that earlier in the year ended with a "no contest" ruling.

Another display of fan wrath broke out at the Detroit Olympic when the six-foot-seven-inch Leo Jonathan, following his script as a villain, threw Sandor Szabo out of the ring and into the laps of the spectators. That was the end of the match as fans mobbed Jonathan, clawing and clubbing him with rolled up newspapers. Police reinforcements finally broke it up. The police suggested to the irate fans that they come back another time to see Jonathan get his lumps in the ring.

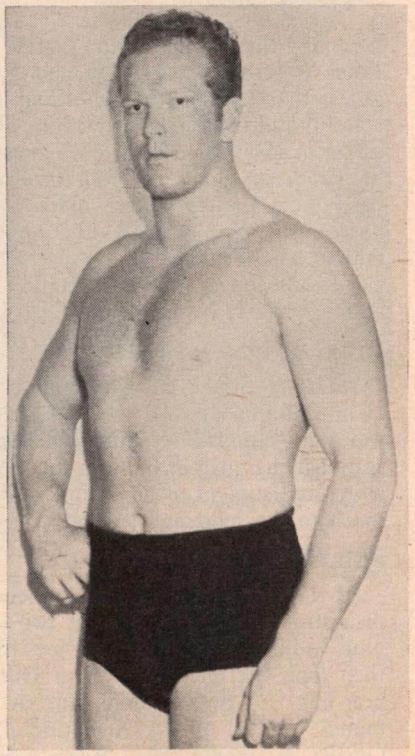


There's a Doctor in the House. Big Bill Miller, who graduated Ohio State University as a veterinarian, excelled in three sports there, track, football and wrestling. He turned pro last November.

Brothers Joe (right) and Frank Malcewicz, West Coast wrestling promoters, are enjoying their biggest year in the business. They operate out of San Francisco.



Slave Girl Moolah who used to be the Elephant Boy's attendant is going after the big moolah herself and has turned wrestler.



Rough and Tough. Rugged Red Lyons, 23-year-old Canadian wrestler, trained and coached by Red Sims, is going great guns.

AAU MAT TITLES—1956

Three free-style champions won Greco-Roman wrestling titles at the final session of the Amateur Athletic Union's four-day national tournament.

The double winners, two of whom won with four-falls, were Danny Hodge, a 174-pounder of the Norman, Okla. Sooner Athletic Club; Bill Kerslake, a heavyweight of the Cleveland Case A. C., and Alan Rice, 136.5-pound class, New York A. C.

The 300-pound Kerslake, who advanced with one default, spent only 1 minute 27 seconds on the mat in felling three foes. He received the trophy for the speediest pin, a four-second flattening of Ralph Bartleman, Fort Carson, Colo., in his final match. Kerslake retained the Greco-Roman title he won last year.

Hodge ran his string of A. A. U. tournament falls to ten. The University of Oklahoma junior scored four pins in winning the National Collegiate championship.

The defending champion, the New York A. C., and Tulsa's Y. M. C. A., the 1954 winner, tied for the team championship with 14 points apiece. Each had one individual champion. The trophy was awarded to Tulsa on the strength of two second places to the New York A. C.'s one.

Jack Blubaugh, Tulsa, spoiled the bid of his team mate, Bill Carter, for twin championships by winning the 125.5-pound crown with a decision over the free-style winner.

Ken Maidlow, Michigan State, defeated Jerry Steinburg, New York West Side Y. M. C. A., for 191-pound honors and Gerald Maurey, Sooner A. C., defeated Joe Scandura, New York A. C. in the 147.5-pound class.

Khalil Taha, third-place winner in the 1952 Olympics for his native Lebanon, threw Jack Grubbs, St. Louis Ritenour Y. M. C. A., for the 160-pound crown. Taha, representing the Ford Wrestlers, Dearborn, Mich. also won the sportsmanship award.

The 114.5-pound championship went to Ray Osborne, San Francisco Olympic Club, with a decision over Claude Williams, San Diego Keylock Society. They were the only two wrestlers at that weight.

In Greco-Roman wrestling holds below the waist are not permitted and the competitors are not allowed to use thir legs.

Summaries of Tulsa Matches

FIRST ROUND

125.5-Pound Class—Bill Carter, Tulsa Y. M. C. A., pinned Harry Grubbs, St. Louis Ritenour Y. M. C. A., 2:13; Don Hall, San Diego Keylock Society, defeated Charles Hadous, Dearborn, Mich., Ford Wrestlers; Jack Blubaugh, Tulsa Y. M. C. A., won by default from Robert Carlin, Norman, Okla., Athletic Club.

136.5-Pound Class—Alan Rice, New York A. C., pinned Don Zinc, Tulsa Y. M. C. A., 1:09; Bob Mancuso, Manhattan, Kan., unattached defeated Lee Grubbs, Ritenour Y. M. C. A.

147.5-Pound Class—Joe Scandura, New York A. C., pinned Dick Bowen, Fort Carson, Colo., 9:40; Gerald Maurey, Sooner A. C., pinned Larry Fornicola, New York A. C., 4:59.

160.5-Pound Class—Khalil Taha, Ford Wrestlers, pinned Bill Weick, New York A. C., 3:54; Jay Holt, San Francisco Olympic Club, defeated Jack Grubbs, Ritenour Y. M. C. A.

174-Pound Class—Rudy Williams, Ford Wrestlers, defeated Pete Orlando, Ritenour Y. M. C. A.; Dan Hodge, Sooner A. C., pinned Henrick Hansen, New York McBurney Y. M. C. A. 5:08; Charles Hartzel, Ritenour Y. M. C. A., pinned Dr. Melvin Northup, Olympic Club 1:32.

191-Pound Class—Jerry Steinburg, New York West Side Y. M. C. A., defeated Dan McNair, Auburn, Ala., A. C.; Ken Maidlow, Michigan State, defeated Lyman Blackmar, Auburn A. C.

Heavyweight Class—Bill Kerslake, Cleveland Case A. C. pinned Johnston Oberly, New York A. C., 0:13; Flenold Marion, Ford Wrestlers, pinned Bill Oberly, New York A. C., 0:40.

SECOND ROUND

125.5-Pound Class—Carter pinned Hall, 1:55; Vernon Whitney, Ritenour Y. M. C. A., pinned H. Grubbs, 2:42 (Grubbs eliminated); Jack Blubaugh, Tulsa Y. M. C. A., defeated Hadous (Hadous eliminated).

136.5-Pound Class—Zinc pinned Pat Augustine, New York A. C., 2:44; Rice pinned L. Grubbs, 0:16 (Grubbs eliminated).

147.5-Pound Class—Scandura defeated Fornicola; Maurey pinned Bowen, 7:30 (Bowen wins third place on default from Fornicola; Fornicola fourth).

160.5-Pound Class—J. Grubbs pinned Weick, 5:15 (Weick eliminated, wins fourth); Taha defeated Holt.

174-Pound Class—Williams pinned Hansen, 4:27 (Hansen eliminated); Northup pinned Orlando, 1:06 (Orlando eliminated); Hodge pinned Hartzel, 1:13.

191-Pound Class—Maidlow defeated McNair; Steinburg pinned Blackmar, 4:18 (Blackmar and McNair will wrestle for third and fourth place).

Heavyweight Class—Ralph Bartleman, Fort Carson, Colo., won by default from Jay Oberly; Kerslake won by default from B. Oberly (J. Oberly and B. Oberly tied for fourth).

THIRD ROUND

125.5-Pound Class—Carter pinned Whitney, 6:00; Blubaugh defeated Hall (Hall eliminated, wins fourth).

136.5-Pound Class—Zinc pinned Mancuso, 1:38; Rice pinned Augustine, 0:11 (Augustine eliminated).

174-Pound Class—Williams defeated Hartzel (Hartzel eliminated, wins third); Hodge pinned Northup, 1:08 (Northup eliminated, wins fourth).

CHAMPIONSHIP ROUND ROBIN

114.5-Pound Class—Ray Osborne, San Francisco Olympic Club, defeated Claude Williams, San Diego Keylock Society (Osborne wins championship, Williams second).

125.5-Pound Class—Blubaugh defeated Whitney; Blubaugh defeated Carter (Blubaugh wins championship, Carter second, Whitney, third).

136.5-Pound Class—Rice pinned Mancuso, 3:10 (Rice wins championship, Zinc second, Manucuso third, Augustine fourth).

147.5-Pound Class—Maurey defeated Scandura (Maurey wins championship, Scandura second).

160.5-Pound Class—Taha pinned J. Grubbs, 3:25 (Taha wins championship, Holt second, Grubbs third).

174-Pound Class—Hodge pinned Williams, 2:00 (Hodge wins championship, Williams second).

191-Pound Class—Maidlow defeated Steinburg (Maidlow wins championship, Steinburg second); Blackmar pinned McNair, 4:38 (Blackmar wins third, McNair fourth).

Heavyweight Class—Bartleman pinned Marion, 8:00 Kerslake pinned Marion, 1:10; Kerslake pinned Bartleman, 0:04 (Kerslake wins championship, Bartleman second, Marion third).

RATINGS

The July Issue will have the ratings of the fans favorites as they vote. Mail is coming in fast and the ratings seem to have caught on. Lack of space keeps them out of this issue.

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SEEN AND HEARD IN NEW YORK

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▶ For seven rounds it had been a slow mauling affair at St. Nicholas Arena, with Larry Baker, 147½, Mt. Vernon, N. Y., having the better of a surprisingly inept Pat Lowry, 149¾, Toledo, O. Before the start of the eighth, Referee Petey Scalzo visited the corners of both boys and pleaded for "some action." Baker responded by stepping out at the bell and blasting Lowry with a left hook. As Pat staggered, Larry nailed him with a right that sent the Ohioan sprawling on his back. Lowry stumbled up at nine, but offered little resistance as Baker ripped into him with both hands, and Scalzo decided it was time to call a halt. The round had gone only 47 seconds. A pair of scheduled sixes also were abbreviated. In one, Ray Bullock, 187¼, Freeport, was credited with a knockout when a nasty cut over the left eye of Bob O'Brien, 189½, West Side, prompted the referee to intervene at 1:07 of the third. It was a tough break for O'Brien, who was winning at the time. The other six ended at 2:38 of the fifth, with George Harrell, 162¾, stopping a rival Brooklynite, Jimmy Skinner, 163½. In fours, Bill Flamio, 140, Bronx, won from Julius Rhodes, 140, Philadelphia; Bernie Jones, 128½, Washington, D. C., decisioned Andy Anderson, 130½, Harlem, and Harry Bell, 134, Long Island City, polished off Leroy Graham, 139, Brooklyn, at 2:56 of the fourth.

▶ Atoning for stablemate Charley Humez's disputed loss to Tiger Jones the previous week, French featherweight champion Cherif Hamia, 126½, outfought shifty Carmelo Costa, 130, Brooklyn, in a sizzling ten in Madison Square Garden. It was a ding-dong battle all the way, teeming with clever boxing, fast punching and exciting exchanges. Baby-faced Hamia, setting the pace most of the way, made a tremendous impression in his American debut. In handling Costa his first defeat in seven Garden main events, the visitor showed himself to be a busy bustler with a fast pair of hands. He was particularly effective with his right which twice, in the second and eighth rounds, had Costa rubbery-legged. Hamia, however, had to fight all the way to cinch the decision. Costa did some effective scoring of his own at times, mainly with left hooks, and seemed the stronger of the two at the finish. The semi-final eight was shortened when Ernie Williams, 140, Washington, D. C., stopped George Chimenti, 153¼, West Side, outslugged Billy Lepido, 153½, Bronx, and Gene Washington, 165, Elizabeth, N. J., edged ouut Jimmy Clemente, 166, Brooklyn. In fours, Richie Glennon, 160, West Side, decisioned Johnny Webster, 158½, Brooklyn, and Tony Franco, 138, Brooklyn, halted Pedro Franqui, 135½, Merrick, L. I., at 2:05 of the second. With this card, boxing moved out of the Garden for seven weeks, making way for the annual invasion of the Ringling Bros.-Barnum & Bailey circus.

▶ Making good use of his advantages in weight and strength, Hardy Smallwood, 157, Brooklyn, bulled his way to a close decision over Gaspar Ortega, 152½, Mexico, in a scrambling ten at St. Nicholas Arena. Smallwood won on aggressiveness. At times he looked amateurish trying to hit the elusive Ortega, and probably mivved five punches for every one he landed. But he crowded the Mexican all the way, leaned all over him in the clinches, and scored with just enough effective wallops to sway the decision in his favor. Hardy accounted for the only knockdown of the bout when he dropped Ortega in the fourth with a right to the chin. Although the shiftier boxer and faster puncher, Ortega hurt his own chances by operating too much on the defensive and fighting in brief spurts. When he did open up, he outclassed Smallwood, and in the seventh round shook up Hardy with four fast rights in succession, but his aggressive flurries were too infrequent and short-lived. Tony DiBiase, 149½, Astoria, decisioned Al Dixon, 145, Long Island City, in the semi-final six. In fours, Dave Leddy, 172, East Hampton, L. I., won from Cy Anderson, 176, East Orange, N. J.; Dick Lowry, 162, College Point, whipped Jimmy Garcia, 165½, Puerto Rico, and Jack Jacobs, 202½, stopped a fellow-Brooklynite, Rudy Graves, 190, at 2:02 of the second. The card ended Promoter Tex Sullivan's stay at St. Nick's after 98 consecutive Monday night shows.

▶ In running off his 20th straight win as a pro, unbeaten Herman (Rory) Calhoun, 161, White Plains, accounted for his most important win to date by slugging his way to a decision over more experienced Jackie LaBua, 158¾, East Meadow, L. I., in a sizzling ten at St. Nicholas Arena. The bout featured the first card staged by Teddy Brenner and his newly-organized New York Boxing Club at the historic West 66th Street arena. Displaying the best form he has yet shown, Calhoun swarmed all over LaBura, scoring heavily with jolting rights to the head and vicious lefts to the body. LaBua offered stubborn resistance for seven rounds, with clever boxing, an effective left hand and sporadic two-fisted rallies, but he wilted in the closing sessions and was near exhaustion at the finish. Both boys took turns at skidding to the canvas, but LaBua's in the fourth was called a knockdown while Calhoun's in the sixth was ruled a slip. The rivals also ended up with visible evidence of the rough going. LaBua suffered cuts alongside both eyes and Calhoun, ripped on the right eyebrow, also was bruised under the left optic.

THAT FIGHTING SPIRIT

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Courtney in St. Louis.

In the Spring of 1952 I broke an ankle. I did a hook slide for a television show, and I guess I did it wrong.

Well, we were in Fenway Park, it was early in the season, and my leg still was bad, and Piersall began to pick on me.

I took it for a while, but he got personal, so I challenged him. We went under the stands and I uppercut him and that was that. We were separated. It wasn't much of a fight, but the writers made a lot of it, and the fans began to get on me as a cocky guy looking for trouble.

Piersall and I were close to another battle, and then Steve O'Neill, managing the Phillies, called me into his clubhouse at Clearwater, Fla., the next Spring and asked me to ignore Piersall's taunts. Steve said Jim was not well.

I have had no more trouble with Piersall, who has become one of the great outfielders of the majors. He is one of the most remarkable ball hawks in the game. Trying to drive a fly ball out of his reach in center is next to impossible.

The fight with Courtney was something else again. Clint had been with our club, and had been traded to the Browns because, with Yogi Berra around, there was little work for any other catcher on the Yankees.

Courtney was sore over having been shipped to St. Louis, and he played extra hard against us. He gave us plenty of trouble.

Well, there was this night game in St. Louis, and Courtney was on first base. He hollered he was coming on to second on the next play, and he threw himself into the air and into me.

What happened was a brawl. I went after Courtney. The other Browns came charging into the field. Our men were ready for them, and we had a gorgeous scrap. I got into an exchange with Billy Hunter as well as Clint. Hunter now is with the Yankees, and one of my best friends. But that night, Hunter was on the other side, and he was very active, I can tell you.

The President of the American League, Mr. Harridge, fined me and other Yankees, and fined Courtney and reprimanded him. It was just a baseball fight.

Baseball fights always look tougher than they are. They start with the combatants ready to throw hard punches. Pretty soon they say to themselves, "Hey, my hands are my living. If I hurt them, what then?"

So the scrappers cool off, and nobody gets hurt much and if a player comes out with a mouse on his eye, it's a big story.

They tell me there have been some big fights on ball fields, with men getting hurt. But I haven't seen anything you would want to pay a $25 top to witness.

The old timers say there was a cruel brawl years ago between Ty Cobb and Umpire Billy Evans, under the stands in Washington. This got so rough that Evans might have been hurt seriously if it had not been stopped.

Managers today discourage fights. They tell you that you are paid to play ball, and not to brawl, and they are right.

But if you are a hustling player, and you have some temper in you—well, there will be a fight now and then.

A good scrap always brings out the fans the next day, and helps the gate. But players are not interested in the box office angle. Not to the extent of picking quarrels just to give the customers an added thrill.

Looking the American professional boxing situation over, and seeing myself in the infield of the Yankees, I certainly am glad that I made my decision in favor of the diamond.

There must be something basically wrong in boxing, and it does not lie in boxing itself. It's a wonderful sport and if run the right way, is terrific entertainment.

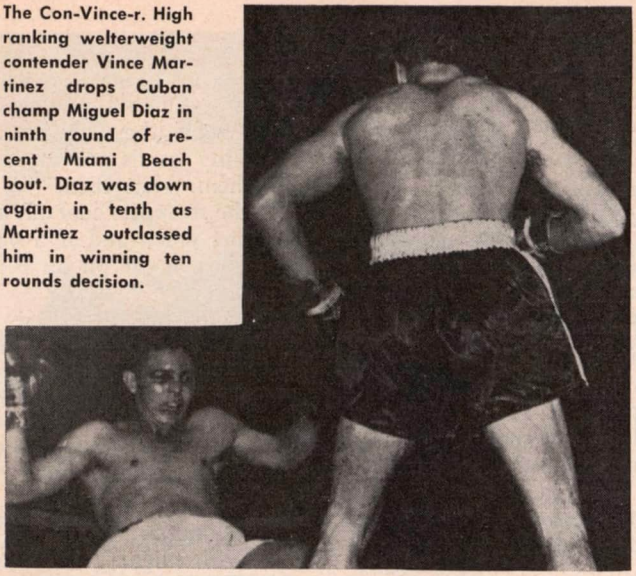
I like Marciano very much as a man, and I admire him tremendously as a fighter. He is a high type of athlete, one of the best we ever have had in the heavyweight division. In fact, I would say that the class has been very lucky, for personalities.

Boxing would suffer greatly if Rocky were to retire, and leave the title open to competition among Archie Moore, Floyd Patterson, Hurricane Jackson, and the rest of the field listed in The Ring Magazine's ratings.

Marciano is especially popular among us ball players because, like me, he had to make a decision. Baseball or boxing? Maybe if he hadn't hurt his arm, he would be catching for the Cubs, or some other major club.

We see Rocky at ball games a lot, and I know that when he is in training he watches baseball television. Good luck to him, whether he goes on fighting or retires.

As for Billy Martin, any time you see a story calling him a rowdy ball player, please ignore it. A 100 percent mistake.



The Con-Vince-r. High ranking welterweight contender Vince Martinez drops Cuban champ Miguel Diaz in ninth round of recent Miami Beach bout. Diaz was down again in tenth as Martinez outclassed him in winning ten rounds decision.

THE HARDER THEY FALL

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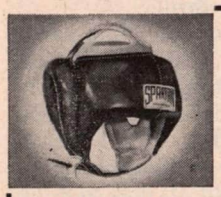
fight but is given a phony build-up does a convincing job of portraying the bewildered foreigner, victimized by an underworld boss, played by Rod Steiger. The gullible, naive and not too bright Moreno was more awkward, more lumbering and much less effective with his fists than even the script writers had any right to make of a Carnera-like boxer.

If there is a reason for the movie other than blood and thunder, it is the acting ability of Rod Steiger, the underworld gang ruler, who in this part as the "fight fixer" does a better job than he did in his role as the brother in "On the Waterfront."

Columbia Pictures have come up with a flicker no more true to boxing than was "King Kong" to the animal kingdom. Both are Hollywood conceptions of entertainment and not a recording of boxing life as it occurs.

They are examples of sensationalism and as such achieve their goal.



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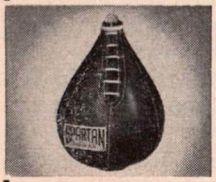

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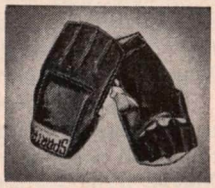

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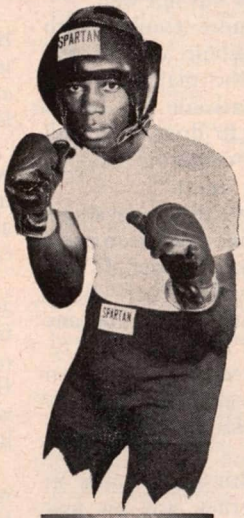

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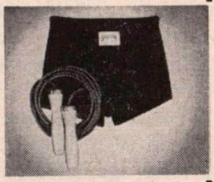

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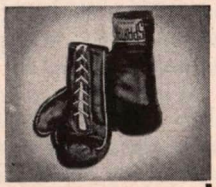

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NEW FACES

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"In my opinion," says manager Al Ernandes, *"the kid will develop into a top-notch welter or middleweight. I'm satisfied with the progress he's making: 6 wins in 8 starts—two by the kayo route."*

JOE BAGLIO

WINNER of all of his 8 pro fights, 155-pound Joe Baglio boxes almost like a ring veteran.

The 5-foot-9 inch Brooklyn youngster, a butcher by trade, was born on May 19, 1933, and is a graduate of Lafayette High School. His fistic education commenced in 1951, via Rickey Fasano, who is now his manager. After that Baglio did a two-year hitch in the Army, stationed in Germany with the 7th Army. *"I did quite a bit of boxing there,"* he reports. *"Took part in 29 contests—25 of which I won."*

Son of a Department of Parks employe, Joe is the only boy in the family. There also is a girl.

JOE DAVIS

WHEN a young welterweight can beat a seasoned fighter like Billy Lepido in his 5th pro contest, he must have something on the ball—or, to be more accurate—the glove. And he followed that up with wins over Iggy Zotto and Jimmy Piper to further impress those looking over the younger crop. Joe Davis is a whirlwind type ringman. He jabs, hooks, counters so rapidly that he seems to be doing it all at the same time. And he's no stationary target. He flits around his opponent, punching all the time and he's difficult to outfight at close quarters.

"My ambition," says Davis, *"is to make good in the ring. I've been married 1½ years and beginning to raise a family. That takes the long green. Aside from boxing, I'm a shipping clerk at the Scranton Mfg. Co."*

Son of a truck driver—and only child —Davis was born in Brooklyn on May 5, 1934. After graduating from Geo. Westinghouse Vocational high school, he enlisted in the Marines. Commenced amateur boxing in 1952, winning thirty, losing three.

A product of Police Athletic League, Winn Center, the 5-foot-10½ inch welterweight was taught the finer points of fisticuffing by Joe Callahan.

Under the management of Mike Capriano, who brought out former 160-pound king Jake LaMotta, the lad turned pro in Oct. 1955.

FROM THE PHILIPPINES
By Felipe J. C. Galang

AKIYOSHI AKANUMA, 129, of Japan stopped Ben Escobar, 135, in the ninth round at the Bullfight Arena, promoted by Manolo Garcia of the Special Events Division of the Peace and Amelioration Fund of which Don Manolo Elizalde is chairman. Escobar and Akanuma first met at the Coliseum on May 22, 1954 when the Japanese lost due to an accidental butt in the 6th round. Escobar was leading by a very slight margin in the first four rounds but thereafter his opponent scored heavily. In the 9th, Akanuma landed eleven punches which landed at the head of the Filipino. Escobar's manager intervened and stopped the fight to save his boy from unnecessary punishment.

Bert Gonzales, 118, badly outpointed Mitsuo Yamamoto, 121, in the supporting 10 rounder. Baby Johnson, 111, defeated Cunning Andy, 113, in another 10 rounder. Baby Ross, 115, and Roy Compio drew in 8 rounds.

Seven Up Flash, 127, bested Baby Carlos, 120, in 4 rounds. Johnny Pasalosdos, 127, easily desposed Teddy Perez, 127, in the 1st round. Tony Chavez, 111 and Young Brazil, 113 drew in the 4 round curtain raiser.

Leo Espinosa, 117¾ became the Oriental bantamweight champion by badly outpointing Keiichi Komuro, 117¼ of Japan in 12 round bout at the Bullfight Arena. Komuro won the Oriental title by stopping Nai Sanong at the Coliseum during the Carnival of Champions last December. Leo proved too fast for the game Japanese, who won the admiration of crowd.

▶ The most controversial decision that confused the fans, was that the Little Cezar, 117½, and Al Asuncion, 117¾, bout for the bantam weight championship of the Philippines. Referee Exequiel Segovia scored for Cezar, 6-5; Judge Juan Lopez voted in favor of Cezar, 8-6 and another Judge Rafael Torres voted in favor of Asuncion by a very wide margin 8-2. What I can't figure out is how the lop sided 8 to 2 score was reached.

Asuncion was in his fighting trim and well-conditioned and the body punches he received were sufficient to down an ordinary boxer.

Baby Gony, 129, easily kayoed Joe Balbunea, 126, in the 3rd round.

Baby Johnson, 110, won over Golden Boy, 111¾, in 8 rounds. Angeles Alberto, 113¼, proved too clever for Leo Silos, 116¼, in 6 rounds. Bay Carlos, 117, bested Tommy Gomez, 118, in 4 rounds. Al Reyes, 115 won over Baby Arthur, 117, in the 4 round opener.

▶ Little Romulo, 108, kayoed Rush Cabling, 108, in the 4th round in San Isidro, Nueva Ecija. Tony Villanueva, 136, stopped Kid Ibanez, 131, in the 1st round. Young Cezar, 128, knocked out Santos Jr., 124, in the 1st. Naric Boy, 120, and Baby Bunag, 116, drew in 4. Star Cabling Jr., 110, whipped Naric Kid, 105, in 4 rounds.

▶ Rudy Alcantara, 114, beat Tommy Gomez, 116, by knocking out the latter in the 5th round in Agoo, La Union. Star Dacanay, 120, decisioned Rocky de Leon, 120, in the 4 rounds bout. Star Lawrence, 117, lost to Kid Killer, 116, in 4. Young Austraia, 118, and Larry dela Rosa, 117, drew in 4. Kid Mangaoang, 117, stopped Flash Gordon, 120, in the 1st round. Kid Bilay, 105, halted Baby Lorenzo, 105, in the 2nd round.

▶ Kid Sumaya, 131, and Max Marcos, 140, drew in 6 rounds in Agoo. Agoo Wonder Boy, 122 bested Speed Galvez, 123, in 4 rounds. Speed Candarapa, 117, stopped Vic Orella, 118, in the 1st round. Kid Paraiso, 108 halted Yellow Cover, 112, in the 2nd round. Young Roque, 110, drew with Kid Bilay, 112, in 4 rounds.

▶ Spur Cola Kid, 114, decisioned Bonnie Hernandez, 112, in 6 rounds in Tarlac. Little Raytranco, 112, and Rex Concepcion, 112, drew in 6 rounds Tony Ganados, 122, knocked out Johnny Sarmiento, 121, in the 3rd. Junior Lagman, 114, defeated Young Freddy, 112, in 4. Star Bondoc, 112, whipped Roy Yalung, 110, in 4. Young Charlie, 107, halted Little Eddy, 110, in the 2nd.

▶ The Mindano Cruiser, 140, and Joe Malimlin bout in San Isidro, Nueva Ecija was called 'No Contest' after 6 rounds of dancing and hugging. Young Aquino, 111, kayoed Kid Kandarapa, 112, in the 1st. Young Narsing, 114, knocked out Rush Ben, 118, in the 2nd. Young Cezar, 130 stopped Ben Mortel, 135, in the 3rd round. Nelson Jr., 110, beat Sagitan Boy, 110, in 4. Rush Patubig, 110, decisioned Star David, 114, in 4 rounds.

Fighting Quirino, 136, knocked out Johnny Velasco, 135, in the 2nd round in Tanay, Rizal. Ric Ricuerdo, 116, stopped Ben de Leon, 116, in the 4th. Vic Angeles, 118, desposed Fighting Cabo Araw, 118, in the 5th. Jose Fino, 112, bested Smart Bining, 114, in the 4 round bout. Battling Andy, 120, whipped Lightning Ruby, 120, in the 4 round curtain raiser.

▶ Manny Ortega, 116, outpointed Mario Manuel, 116, in 6 rounds in Urdaneta, Pangasinan. Tony Martinez, 127, halted Kid Aske, 124, in the 3rd round. Fighting Gorio, 117, drew with Frisco Genio, 118, in 6. Young Genio, 112, kayoed Young Nepo, 117, in the 3rd round. Star Dacanay, 116, decisioned Fighting Yano, 114, in 4. Fighting Ubaldo, 135, outpointed Johnny Gamboa, 135, in 4 rounds.

▶ Gene Rinty, 130, kayoed Strong Lucas, 130, in the 4th round in Cuyapo, Nueva Ecija. Little Joe Jersey, 124, defeated Ben Ferrer, 126, in 6. Isabela Bac Mar, 112, stopped Little Eddie, 114, in the 2nd. Baby Esjo, 110 knocked out Kid San Roque, 116, in the 3rd. Fighting Esteban, disposed Rocky Romulo, 116, in the 3rd round.

▶ Leo Zulueta, 111, bested Cunning Andy, 112, in 8 round main event in Pateros, Rizal. Rocky Calingo, 135, won over Wennie Rebulado, 137, in 6 rounds. Speedy Nasola, 107, bested Young Bataan, 112, in 6. Tommy Gomez, 115, defeated Rica Jr., 120, in 6. Young Brazil, 119, kayoed Clever Tulong, 121, in the 2nd. Star Tony, 96, stopped Little Glen Lee Jr., 100, in the 3rd round.

▶ Waling Waling Boy, 118, bested Gil LaQuino, 120, in 6 round main event in Marikina, Rizal. Mario Manuel, 116, kayoed Little Walcott, 114, in the 4th. 7-Up Flash, 115, decisioned Primo Paraiso, 110, in 6. Marikina Boy, 114, defeated Adriano de Leon, 109, in 4. Lucky Bestre, stopped Little de Leon, 112, in the 2nd round. Young Luis, 118, beat Baby Luis, 114, in 4. Cagayan Boy, 116, halted Young David, 122, in the very 1st round.

▶ Baby Ross, 116, drew with Little Dommy, 117, in 8 rounds in Olongapo. Montalban Kid, 120, beat Tuffy Salcedo, 127, in 8 rounder. Little Raytranco, 111, decisioned Little Matnog, 114, in 6. Spur Cola Kid, 111 defeated Primo Paraiso, 112, in 6, Tony Ganados, 120, halted Boy Dadivas, 123, in the 4th. Star Bega, 103, decisioned Little Saber, 106, in 4. Dommy Ganzon, Jr., 124, kayoed Star Evangelista 121, in the 3rd. Rush Hernandez, 104, stopped Star Roger, 102 in the 3rd

▶ Alfredo Barreto, 125, defeated Flash Olano, 120, in 8 round main event in Dagupan city. Dado Corpuz, 114, decisioned Monte Cristo, 113, in 8 rounds. Flash Perez, 118, stopped Cely Patricio, 120, in the 3rd round. Daniel Ursuwa, 111, whipped Romeo Gonzales, 112, in 4. Kid Altona, 110, outscored Rocky Cansino, 112, in 4. Ross Tadana, 117, kayoed Speed Aljentera, 116, in the 3rd. Rocky Llarinas, 101, beat Little Mitch, 102, in 4 rounds.

▶ Kid Lawin, 120, won over Gon Francisco, 120, in 8 rounds in Atimonan. Young Peter, 128, knocked out Johnnh Kid, 126, in the 2nd round. Young Dommy, 135, stopped Star Talinto, 129, in the 2nd.

Rising Vizcaya, 122, decisioned Young Nanoy, 118, in 4 rounds. Benny Romero, 116, decisioned Station Boy, 108, in 4. Flash Gordon, 120, kayoed P. C. Boy, 128, in the 2nd. Fighting Obes, 108 stopped Dommy Garcia, 110, in the 2nd. Duhat Kid, 128, drew with Qua Chee Gan Boy, 130, in 4.

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▶ Rudy Alcantara, 116, bested Tony Ganados, 122, in 8 rounds in San Fernando, La Union. Camilo Silva, 114, beat Young Billy, 114, in 6. Little Raytranco, 115, drew with Roy Sison, 112, in 6. Lefty Bert, 126, kayoed Baby Corpuz, 128, in the 3rd. Star Engito, 107, defeated Little Duarte, 107, in 4. Eddy dela Cruz, 128, knocked out Joe Natividad, 124, in the 1st round.

BRITISH COLUMBIA NEWS
By Chester Norton

Earle Kalani presented one of his better cards, matching Len Walters, Vancouver, 127, with his previous conquerer, Larry Vasquez, San Francisco, 127¼. Walters needed to be his elusive best for this one as Vasquez kept after him all the way, making short hooks count to his advantage when he was able to get within range. Len's best weapon, as usual, was his left jab and straight right in combinations. Although Walters was awarded a split ten round decision, the majority of fans went home feeling that Vasquez had been busy enough to earn the nod.

Buddy McDonald, Vancouver, 145½, showing vast improvement stopped Earle Lewis, Seattle, 143½ at 1:07 of the 3rd of a scheduled ten round semi-windup.

Teddy Hall, Seattle, 135, K.O.'d Lulu Labowski, Vancouver, 134 at 0:40 of the second. Joe Brown, Vancouver, 177½ flattened Vern Jenkins, Seattle, 178 at 2:00 of the 2nd and Earl Vance, Victoria, 132¾ beat Ralph McCombs, Vancouver, 134½ in the four round opener.

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EUROPEAN GOSSIP

by Charlie Parish

FOR the first time since our ratings have been published, the name of Emile Chemama will not appear. Born in 1926, the Star of the South had just defeated Dante Bini in Paris and was killed en route for Marseilles, his adopted hometown. It seems that Marseilles and the French bantam division is bound up with some tragic fate. First, Honore Pratesi, killed in the ring, Ray Grassi also, then Hilaire Pratesi and now Chemama. Recall also the accidents suffered by Robert Cohen and D'Agata.

Boxing is arousing from its slumbers in Scandinavia. Leif Hansen, Norwegian welter, has turned pro, boxing will be resumed shortly in Finland and autumn should see regular shows in Denmark. More Austrian amateurs have gone over to the paid ranks. Here are the results in detail.

▶ Milan, Italy—Headlining a star-studded bill at the Ice Palace were two imported battlers, Orlando Zulueta of Cuba and the Spanish firebrand, Fred Galiana. The Cuban had already made a great impression against Duilio Loi and he began his combat with Galiana on the same lines, running up a handy points lead only to have the verdict given as a draw. The draw decesion met with the approval of ringsiders but not with the fans at the back of the hall.

Ray Famechon made his much-advertised comeback, against modest but game Aldo Pravisani of Trieste. Ray was rusty and off-form but still proved too good for the Italian, who was taken out of action during the fifth with a badly gashed eye.

Two other foreigners chalked up wins. Juan Cardenas, Catalan bantam king, slammed away almost at will at Letterio Petilli and the fight was stopped in the seventh round owing to Petilli's manifest inferiority.

Another Spaniard, Manolo Garcia, put a stop to Alvaro Cerasani's comeback, forcing the former Iron Man to retire at the beginning of the fifth with an injury to his left hand. Giordano Campari halted Rene Fontaine of France in the third of another feathers duel.

▶ Barcelona, Spain—Bobby Ros was surprisingly held to a draw by the comparitively unknown Manuel Gonzales, in a lightweight ten at the Gran Price. José Ogazon, the flyweight champ, won over Cid in eight rounds and Rubio II decisioned Saavedra in a cruiser eight.

▶ Rotterdam, Holland—Leen Jansen, still undefeated in over thirty pro starts, halted the game German middle, Freddi Teichmann, in the ninth round. Helmut Höhmann, German welter, used his head too literally against Frits van Kempen and found himself ruled out in the fourth round.

Two other German visitors were more fortunate. Hans Kalbfell checked crude Baby De Voogd in the second frame of a heavyweight maul and Karlheinz Guder knocked out Tony Hendrix, just returned from a not-too-successful Canadian tourney, in the opening session of a welter bout.

▶ La Spezia, Italy—Now that Cavicchi is concentrating all his energy on keeping the European title, Aldo Pellegrini and Antonio Crosia were selected to decide between them who should become the next heavyweight champ of Italy. All the odds were on Aldo, he of the punch, especially when he cracked home a left to the liver in the opening round. But Crosia boxed carefully and cleverly and at the end of twelve rounds there was only one choice—Crosia.

Vannes Benassi drew with Rocco Mazzola in a cruiser six, Serti laced Scoccimarro in a feathers eight. In two welter sixes, Grilli licked Nocentini and Pinto trimmed Cozzani.

▶ Genoa, Italy—Mario Vecchiato, promising lightweight, came through with an excellent points win over Ray Paini in a good ten-rounder. Salvatore Boi was held to a draw by rugged Dante Madella in a middles eight. In a feathers six, Galliano won over Palazzolo.

At Asti, Nosenzo drew with Carbonari in a feathers six and Remo Viarengo won over Mineri in a lightie eight.

▶ Paris—André Valignat got rather a surprise when he tackled Aimé Devisch, recently-crowned Belgian feathers king at the Salle Wagram. After ten hectic rounds, victory went to the Parisian but the cheers went to blond Devisch for a great performance.

Domingo Casol, Spanish lightie, was whipped over eight rounds by the West African, Epiphane Akono, and Emile Vidal banged out the towering Senegalese heavy, Paul Sylvia, in the second.

At Hyeres, Francis Magnetto halted Europe's steadiest loser, Frank Mariany, in the seventh of their heavyweight brawl. At Limoges, Jacques Bro trimmed Gino Menozzi in a cruiser ten.

▶ Perugia, Italy—Mario Vecchiato ripped into action once more, flattening Paolo Cipriani in the eighth of a lightweight debate. Tiero larruped Izzo in a bantam six and Raschi won over Caini in a middles six.

At Ferrara, Valentino Gianluppi won over Carlo Poli in a lightie six.

At Florence, Stampa laced Melia in a lightie six and at Casale Monferrato, Giorgio Bollato fought a rugged draw with Franco Rizzotti in a welter six.

▶ Barcelona, Spain—Victor Pepeder, promising feather from St. Jean de Luz in France, paid his first visit beyond the frontier here, tackling dangerous Jaime Serrano. After eight whirling rounds, a drawn verdict was reached which seemed fair enough. Forgues and Gil Suarez likewise battled to a draw in their welter eight.

▶ St. Etienne, France—Mario Ciccarelli took on the German trial-horse, blond Freddi Teichmann and had his hands full with the wily visitor. Finally the Italian's youth and energy got the better of Teichmann's routine and Mario copped the nod after ten good rounds.

At Coutances, Dante Bini was surprisingly outscored by the local bantam star, Roger Cappato, over ten.

▶ At Brest—Pierre Sarkissian got the better of Ray Souply, Belgian lightie champ, over ten. On the same card, Robert Tartari nodded Jacques Lesseine of Belgium in a feathers eight.

Francis Coeuret returned to action at St. Brieuc, winning via a disqualification over Ernest Chalono in the eighth round of their heavyweight maul. Bernard Lenot licked Guy Bataille in a feathers eight at Rosendael.

▶ Luxembourg—The winner of the cruiser competition was Ahmed Boulgroune, a 25-year old Algerian middleweight who defeated Horst Niche. He won the tournament hands down. It was the first time either had fought a twelve-rounder.

Ray Schmit was given a hometown decision over the Dutchman, Pedro Klyssens, to cop third position in the tourney. In two supporting bouts, René Scheich, local welter, drew with Marcel Barthel over six and Alflo Burgagni licked the Frenchman Milcent, in a welter eight.

▶ Abidjan—French Ivory Coast, Jules Touan, the Black Devil, wasted little time on the Portuguese feathers king, Belarmino Fragoso, slamming him out in five rounds. The Lisbon boot-black put up a game resistance but was put down three times. Francois Anewy defeated Stanis Pasek in a middles ten. Four thousand attended the match.

▶ Paris—Siegfried Burrows, square-jawed blond from Germany's Ruhr District, paid his second visit to France but with less fortune than on the first occasion. Sauveur Chiocca, one of France's leading welters, received the Teuton at the Mutualite and gave the invader a lesson in the finer points of boxing.

Francis Bonnardel stopped André Pierson in the sixth of a lively feathers slam and Marcel Pigou laced Louis Mourros in a middles ten.

▶ Bordeaux, France—André Drille, smart southpaw operator appeared for once in his hometown—generally he fights out of Normandy. He took on the dour Manuel Correa, the Spanish middle who went the limit with Humez. Correa was a worthy foe for France's No. 3 but was clearly outscored after ten hard rounds.

CONTINENTAL RATINGS

Month Ending March 18, 1956

HEAVIES	CRUISERS	MIDDLES	WELTERS
1. Heinz Neuhaus (G)	Gerhard Hecht (G)	Charles Humez (F)	Emilio Marconi (I)
2. Franco Cavicchi (I)	Hans Stretz (G)	Gustav Scholz (G)	Valere Benedetto (F)
3. Ingo Johansson (SW)	Willi Hoepner (G)	Tiberio Mitri (I)	Gaetano Garbelli (I)
4. Hans Friedrich (G)	Charles Colin (F)	Germinal Ballarin (F)	Idrissa Dione (F)
5. Kurt Schiegl (A)	Wim Snoek (H)	Franco Festucci (I)	Sauveur Chiocca (F)
6. Uber Bacilieri (I)	Aless. D'Ottavio (I)	Max Resch (G)	Jacques Prigent (F)
7. Marcel Limage (B)	Willi Besmanoff (G)	Peter Muller (G)	Umberto Vernaglione (I)
8. Werner Wiegand (G)	Fernando Jannilli (I)	Leen Jansen (H)	Jacques Herbillon (F)
9. Antonio Crosia (I)	Ahmed Boulgroune (F)	Olle Bengtsson (SW)	Gunther Hase (G)
10. Gunther Nurnberg (G)	Horst Niche (G)	Andre Drille (F)	Ernst Zetzmann (G)

LIGHTWEIGHTS	FEATHERS	BANTAMS	FLYWEIGHTS
1. Duilio Loi (I)	Fred Galiana (S)	Robert Cohen (F)	Young Martin (S)
2. Bruno Visintin (I)	Jean Sneyers (B)	Mario D'Agata (I)	Aristide Pozzali (I)
3. Seraphin Ferrer (F)	Cherif Hamia (F)	Alphonse Halimi (F)	Guy Schatt (F)
4. Hoacine Khalfi (F)	Ray Famechon (F)	Jean Renard (B)	Henri Schmit (F)
5. Louis Carrara (F)	Jules Touan (F)	Pierre Cossemyns (B)	Robert Mouginot (F)
6. Laouri Godih (F)	Rudi Langer (G)	Piero Rollo (I)	Robert Pollazon (F)
7. Annibale Omodei (I)	Jose Hernandez (S)	Roberto Spina (I)	Jose Ogazon (S)
8. Manolo Garcia (S)	Altidoro Polidori (I)	Dante Bini (F)	Pipo Dionisio (F)
9. Felix Chiocca (F)	Sergio Milan (I)	Juan Cardenas (S)	Gius. Gaviano (I)
10. Piet van Klaveren (H)	Bobby Ros (S)	Roger Cappato (F)	Ot. Belardinelli (I)

LEGEND: (A) Austria; (B) Belgium; (F) France; (G) Germany; (H) Holland; (I) Italy; (S) Spain; (SW) Sweden.

▶ At Arques—Cissé Ousmane, West African welter, stopped Roger Facqueur in the seventh round.

At Lille, Ildephonse Warusfeld laced Bernardo Pacini in a cruiser ten.

▶ Hamburg, Germany—A first-class sensation occurred here when Alex Buxton, battle-scarred hero of a hundred fights around the world, upset the carefully-laid plans of Max Resch, the Fatherland's newest middles prospect. Resch had the mulatto in trouble during the fifth but copped a nasty right himself in the next heat which dumped him on the canvas for a long count.

In the tenth, Buxton caught the Teuton with a terrible right once more and laid Resch out for the count. Resch was on the attack for the whole fight and had a considerable points lead.

On the rest of the bill, William Besmanoff, 183, won by a mile over the French Colonial, Simon Ayankin of Senegal, 188, in eight and Hans Wohlers, 158, won a rather disputed victory over tough Fritz Wenzel, 159, in six. Blond Helmut Mistol, 146, scraped through with a close win over the Belgian, Jean Hoeffler, 143, over four rounds and the German lightie king Karlheinz Bick, was less successful against another Belgian, Jean Paternotte, who shared honors with the German after six rounds.

Albert Duscha, 181, made his pro debut a success by licking big Horst Herold, 196, over four rounds while Erich Schöppner, 173, former amateur star, checked Paul Chomuntowski in the opening stanza. Five thousand attended the show.

▶ Bologna, Italy—Giancarlo Bettazoni, hard-hitting cruiser arrival, could not sweep Ilario Suvilla off his feet and won on points over six rounds. Angelo Brisci nodded Aristide Dal Piaz in a middles eight and Pietro Scoccimarro trounced Mangiarelli in a feathers eight. Remo Carati got the better of strong Dante Madella in a middles eight.

▶ Liege, Belgium—Some weeks ago, Pierre Wouters lost his national welter crown to veteran Charles Odon at Ostend. Unwisely, Adon agreed to defend his newly-won laurels in Pierre's own baliwick and was stopped in the tenth round. Odon had the class, Wouters the sheer strength.

Bob Stevens won a hard-fought middles battle against the Frenchman, Henri Entringer, over ten rounds and Michel Francois, French welter, laced Abel Soudan in a good eight-rounder.

▶ Berlin, Germany—At the Sports Palace, 8,000 fans watched two well-established favorites of the post-war years, Hans Stretz and Willi Hoepner, fight it out for the German cruiser title, left vacant by Hecht when he took over the European crown. Contrary to expectation, it was a rather monotonous affair. Stretz, at 170, came in five pounds lighter than his opponent, which did not prevent him from dropping Hoepner for "nine" during the ninth. He followed up but was soon in difficulties himself. A drawn verdict would have been a fair decision and the decision, which went to Stretz, was roundly booed.

Hans Friedrich, 200, banged away like fury at Robert Eugene, 228, but could not put the skids under the weighty but nimble Belgian, who lasted the eight rounds to lose on points.

Erich Walter, 160, was knocked twice off his feet in the opening round of his grand slam with Joseph Janssens, 153, of Belgium, but recovered well enough to give the visitor a boxing lesson. Honors were shared after eight hard sessions.

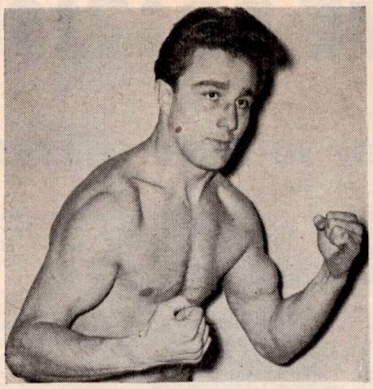
Uwe Janssen, 179, of Hamburg, hit too hard for Max Marsille, 206, and in the third round the Belgian lifted his arm in surrender. Wenzel Bociek, 175, pounded Karl Gröbner to defeat in two rounds. In the wind-up Günther Hase, German welter king, soundly thrashed Edgard Delannoit of Belgium on points over eight rounds.

▶ Paris—At the Central, Roland Roy got the better of Charles Bohbot in a good bantam ten and Gabriel Assaga halted André Drapier in the third of a middles bout.

At the Stadium, Ray Benard was very lucky indeed to cop the nod over Pierre Da Souza in a bantam ten whilst Edmond Moletto trimmed José Alvarez in a bantam eight.

At Evreux, Michel Lapourielle, once a welter hope but now a heavyweight of no account, stopped Armand Boudin in the seventh session. At St. Jean de Luz, Giacomo (or Jacques) Nervi, Italian welter, licked Gilbert Ussin over eight rounds.

▶ Marseilles, France—Louis Trochon, the formidable Bull of the Comargue, was far too strong for even rugged Jean Ruellet, the Parisian middle. The stocky visitor had all his work cut out to last the limit against Trochon's pounding fists.



Max Resch, Germany's middleweight hope, met with fistic disaster at the hands of Alex Buxton when the latter kayoed him in the tenth round at Hamburg, Germany.

Tony Feliciano won over Serge Leveque (minor upset!), Fahrat was held to a draw by dour Jean Poisson, both middles tens whilst Ali Bakir stopped Eugene Spagnol in the third of a lightie larrup.

At Calais, Menozzi won from René Sauvage in a middles ten and at Pau, Jose-Maria Manrique of Spain completely outfought tough Robert Gillet in a lightie ten, blacking the local's eye and winning by a handy margin.

At St. Lo—Marcel Tirel chalked up his first victory over Tino Albanese after two previous attempts, showing first-class condition and renewed morale.

At Soissons, Francois Kania trounced Jacques Leoirer in a cruiser eight and at Lourches, André Younsi whipped Ben Zaia in a feathers eight.

▶ Modena, Italy—Franco Cavicchi, whose appearances are not so frequent as of yore, gave fans some indication of what his 1956 form may be like. Against the powerful German, Werner Wiegand, Cavicchi cut rather a poor figure, often missing and apathetic in general. Wiegand went down in the eighth round and came up too late to beat the count.

Marcello Padovani defeated Enrico Macale in a lightie eight, Angelo Grego drew with Vannes Benassi in a cruiser six and Bruno Bernardinello came back to action with a win over Angelo Idi in a middles six. Remo Viarengo nodded Walter Sarti in a lightie eight.

At Grosseto, Dom Baccheschi got the better of Cesare Bagnoli in a cruiser eight and Franco Giannini decisioned Palazzolo in a feathers eight.

▶ Dülken, Germany—A mild upset was caused here by Erwin Hack, a young German novice, who firmly defeated the American, Don Ellis, veteran of many bouts in international circles. Hack just hammered away at the highly-touted Yank and nearly had him on the deck on several occasions. He won a clear points victory.

Pat Kelly, New Zealand welter now in Germany, stopped Sonny Michels in two, Walter Storms, 185, lost to Hans Drabes, 202, in a four-rounder, Willi Gelhaar, 133, drew with Hans Gangfuss in four. Fritz Rings drew with the local favorite, Kurt Krahnen, 122, likewise over four rounds.

▶ Paris—At the Central, Raphael Diaz, a Spanish feather domiciled in Belgium, paid a flying visit to La Ville Lumière to outscore André Meraint in a modest ten-rounder. A better display was put on by Guerrard, who whipped Serge Vue in a fast bantam six while Attar drew with Michel Clavel in a lightie eight.

At Granville, Jacques Nervi came through with a very unpopular win over the Turkish welter king, Garbis Zakaryan, who made most of the fighting for all eight rounds.

▶ Rome—Alessandro D'Ottavio, always a reliable substitute, came at the last moment to fight Ahmed Boulgroune in lieu of Franco Festucci. D'Ottavio, now official challenger for the Italian title held by Jannilli, was not over-impressed by the winner of the Luxembourg cruiser competition and handed the Algerian, game and aggressive, a first-class boxing lesson. D'Ottavio won hands down over ten rounds.

Tony Borraccia licked Scoccimarro in a feathers eight, Giacche won over Mario Rosselini in a welter six and Carati nodded Paulon.

▶ Paris—A large crowd attended the Palais des Sports to see Alphonse Halimi tackle his first American opponent, Billy Peacock. This was the first time Halimi has headed the bill at the Palais but it won't be the last. He still needs plenty of international competition to keep him up to scratch but opponents are getting hard to find. Halimi's points win was clear.

Emile Vidal, slowly pursuing his course to the top, took just five rounds to knock out Michel Lapourielle, in a heavyweight slam while Pierre Pace was in destructive mood, stopping the blond Belgo-Spaniard, Oscar Alvarez, in the sixth of a feathers debate.

Moussa Saad stopped Dupre in the fifth of a lightie scrap and Alicou won over Ratto in a welter eight. Felix Chiocca wowed the fans with an eight round kayo over the German feather, Rudi Langer.

▶ Geneva, Switzerland—At the Plainpalais, Guiliano Friso trimmed Louis Geraci in a rough welter six and Jacques Dufreney, French light-heavy, got the better of Antonio Pippa in a hard eight-rounder.

▶ Baden, near Vienna—Stefan Schwarz got off the deck after a couple of counts to last out the distance with feathers champ Willi Swoboda, over four rounds. This was Schwarz's first pro bout.

▶ Pavia, Italy—Annibale Omodei didn't have things too easy against Elio Busetto, a likely lightie who gets too little fighting, but won over the visitor handily enough after eight hard rounds. Giacomo Di Jasio, now a proud father, laced Val Gianluppi in a lightie six and Campari upset Giancarlo Casarico in a feathers eight.

At Naples, Sergio Della Porta drew with Fasulo in a feathers eight.

▶ Civicastellana, Italy—Sergio Caprari returned to action by forcing the game Sardinian feather, Enzo Ganadu, to retire in the sixth round.

At Cremona, the Violin City, Aristide Pozzali proved that his high rating is no fiddle by putting the skids under dangerous José Ogazon in the ninth round of a hectic flyweight slam. Ogazon, Spanish champion, made the mistake of mixing it with the local.

▶ Valencia, Spain—José Hernandez, feathers champ of Spain but now official challenger for the European lightweight title, met a local hope, José-Maria Godoy. Well, Joseph-and-Mary lasted the ten rounds and lost by a mile. Fifteen thousand turned up to watch Hernandez in action.

▶ Rotterdam, Holland—Werner Handke, the German welter, who has not had a very good run of luck for the past eighteen months, pulled off a surprise here when he stopped poor old Bep van Klaveren in the fifth round of Bep's farewell to the ring. It was an unfortunate ending for Bep after nearly thirty years campaigning.

Piet van Klaveren, step-brother of Bep, rescued the family honor by outscoring nimble Albert Müller in a nifty lightie ten and Frits van Kempen halted Horst Garz in the third of a welter scrap and Baby De Voogd was forced to retire in the seventh heat of his battle with Willy Schagen due to a cut eye. Schagen now goes on to fight Pedro Klyssens for the vacant Dutch heavy title.

▶ Paris—at the Stadium, Pierre Hernandez continued his winning way with a good points win over Claude Lapourielle in a welter ten. Boudier licked Lemaire in a lightie eight and Buccellato trimmed the Syrian middle, Al Musri, in a good six.

At Dijon, Salvator Vangi got the nod over Louis Poncy in a fierce lightie ten.

At the Salle Wagram, Jacques Prigent proved that he is still a force to be reckoned with by getting the edge over Idrissa Dione, the coal-black ex-welter champ of Europe, in a rugged welter ten which saw Prigent on the attack in every round.

Epiphane Akono laced Jacob Jasbinzeck in a middles eight. Manuel Salcedo, Spanish welter, made an impressive French debut by winning over Claude Lapleige in a robust ten.

▶ Lyons, France—Fernand Nollet, smart Martinique lightie, followed his recent win over Young Gonzales at Montreuil with a quick victory over the Belgian, Coppens, who went out in the fifth. Jo Leneum iced Pleinet in the fourth of another lightie larrup.

At Moyeuvre, Angel Colussa decisioned Emile Carapezzi in a lightie ten.

▶ Ravenna, Italy—Mario D'Agata, the deaf-mute who is now definitely scheduled to collide with Robert Cohen for the world title, coasted to an easy win over the Span-

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NEWS OF THE BRITISH ISLES

By JOHNNY SHARPE

THE much debeated question, "Whether The Chancellor" WILL reduce The High Entertainment tax on Boxing, will be known in a few weeks.

The British Boxing Board of Control, Sir Arthur Elvin of The Wembley Stadium, and many other professional bodies, have had meetings with the many secretaries of Chancellery, to reduce the heavy burden on Professional Sport. If this tax is lowered, it will bring a big improvement to the sport in The British Isles. We then will be able to see boxing back at The Wembley Pool, also at the Stadium, which can house 75,000 fans.

It will also give the small promoter a chance to derive some profit for his outlay in promoting professional boxing shows.

Jack Solomons, ace British Promoter, has big ideas for bigger shows; also Harry Levene of Royal Albert Hall, Johnny Best of the Liverpool Stadium, Alex Lucas of Glasgow, Alex Griffiths the Big Midland promoter, and Joe Jacobs of Leicester, not forgeting Reg King of Nottingham, for his Ice Rink.

▶ BELLE VUE,, MANCHESTER.—Ex British and Empire featherweight champion Billy 'Spider' Kelly, Derry, made an inauspicious appearance at Belle Vue, when he outpointed Salvatore Vangi, France, 126 in ten disappointing rounds.

Billy Ellaway, Liverpool, 159½, disposed of South African Eddie Thomas, 159½, in the fourth, when the referee called a halt after Thomas had taken several long counts. Johnny Miller, North Shields, 135¾, and Guy Gracia, France, 136½, drew over ten rounds. Malcolm McLeod, Coventry, 111½, outscored George Connors, Kings Cross, 112, over eight rounds. Paddy Graham, Belfast, 136¼, stopped Ron Hinson, Dagenham, 133½, in the fourth, when Hinson retired with a damaged eyebrow. Joe Quinn, Belfast, 128½, knocked out Jimmy Zale, Nigeria, 129¾, in the first.

▶ BIRMINGHAM.—Les Allen, Betworth, 163, fought a fast paced eight rounder with Jim Lindley, Doncaster, 165½, to win a narrow points decision. Colin Spittle, Brierley Hill, 154, outpointed Don Williams, Southall, 151, over six. Ken Lancaster, Mexborough, 154, knocked out Derek Lawes, Chatteris, 159, in the third. Derek John, Catford, 133, outpointed Ray Akwei, Gold Coast, 137, over six rounds. Willie Carr, Stockport, 154, outpointed Frankie Webb, Wigan, 150, over six. Johnny Barr, Stockport, 129, stopped Dennis Hill, Abergavenny, 128, in the fourth session.

▶ MIDDLESBOROUGH. — Ted Williams, Huddersfield, 178, stopped Eric Metcalfe, Northwich, 177, in the fourth. Jack London, Blackpool, 174, and Garnett Denny, Belfast, 176, drew over eight rounds. David Croll, Dundee, 127, and Eddie Moran, Leeds, 129, drew over six rounds. Tony McRorey, Glasgow, 138, outpointed Johnny Spittle, Barnsley, 139, over six rounds. Eric Greaves, Middlesborough, 121, stopped Joe Barnett, North Shields, 121, in the fourth.

▶ PORTSMOUTH.—Ken Lawrence, Southampton, outpointed Teddy Peckham, Southern Area Featherweight Champion, over eight rounds. Johnny Smith, Portsmouth, stopped Stan Lotriet, South Africa, in the third session when Lotriet received a gashed eyebrow. Johnny Cheatle, Portsmouth, outpointed Johnny Lomey, Euston, over four rounds. Dave Goodwin, Bournemouth, stopped Jim McAteer, Belfast, in the fourth. Vic Smith, Croydon, stopped Arthur Sullivan, Camberwell, in the fifth, and Malcolm Affleck, Guildford, notched a six rounds points win over Johnny Millington, Alderney.

▶ MARYLEBONE.—Arthur Howard, Islington, 175½, stopped Neville Rowe, Australia, 175¼, in the sixth. Referee Jack Hart halted the bout when Rowe was in a bad way. Sammy Bonnici, Stepney, 128¼, outpointed Jackie Sowah, Gold Coast, 134, over eight rounds. George Dormer, East Ham, 116½, outpointed Jimmy Carson, Belfast, 119½, over eight. Tony Dove, Battersea, 176, outpointed Al Allotey, Gold Coast, 175½, over eight rounds. Ron Wild, Covent Garden, 157½, outpointed Joe Somerville, Berkhampstead, 159½, over six rounds. Terry Toole, Hackney, 126, outpointed Jimmy Giles, Stepney, 128, over six.

▶ BELFAST.—Jim Fisher, Belfast, 134, stopped Jackie Davidson, Belfast, 134, in the fourth, when the referee intervened to save Davidson. Jim Feeney, Banbridge, 134½, and Pat Price, Newry, 142½, fought hard for one round before Price was forced to retire with a cut eyelid. George Lavery, Belfast, 163, Northern Ireland's Middles Champ, and Cliff Garvey, Dundalk, 160, Eire's Middleweight King, put up a dull display before the referee sent both boys to their corners and declared 'No Contest'. Johnny Blane, Belfast, 137, knocked out Cecil Martin, Belfast, 131¾, in the first. Ivan Orr, Lisburn, 144½, knocked out Ted Arthurs, Belfast, 144½, in the second session.

▶ LIVERPOOL STADIUM.—Tommy Molloy, Liverpool, 150, outpointed Jack Armstrong, Gold Coast, 146, over eight rounds. Trevor Sykes, Huddersfield, 154, was outpointed by Joe Rufus, Nigeria, 147, over six rounds. Stan Barnett, Newton-le-Willows, 145, outpointed Arty McGill, 140, over six rounds. Brian Petherwick, Preston, 147, dropped a close points decision to Ray Danbridge, Huddersfield, 147, over four rounds. Jimmy Cottrill, Birkenhead, 140, stopped Ron Bernard, Carlisle, 144, in the fourth.

▶ LEYTON BATHS.—Albert Carroll, Bethnal Green, 149¼, made a winning return to the ring after a long layoff, when he easily outpointed Santos Martins, Nigeria, 147¼, over eight rounds. Dennis Hinson, Dagenham, 135½, took four counts in his bout with Harry Haydock, British Guiana, 139½, and was outpointed over eight rounds. Jimmy Newman, Walthamstow, 152½, knocked out Norman Saunders, Croydon, 153½, in the fourth. Harry Horrix, Paddington, outpointed George Rogers, West Ham, over six rounds. Harry McHale, Liverpool, outpointed Ernie Savery, Dunstable, over six.

▶ BLACKPOOL. — Part McCarthy, Birkenhead, 129, outpointed Jack Sala, Nigeria, 124, over eight rounds. Derek Reynolds, Blackpool, 150, knocked out Ron Tyson, Sheffield, 147, in the second round. Eddie Sykes, Huddersfield, 149½, outpointed Gene Gordon, Stockport, 147, over six rounds. Tommy Waterworth, Golborne, 139, stopped Walter Corsini, Italy, 140, in the second.

▶ WEMBERLEY TOWN HALL. — Billy Kiernan, Hammersmith, 147, outpointed Terry Bellamy, West Ham, 144½, over six gruelling rounds. Alf Drew, Stepney, 126, outpointed Johnny Howard, Islington, 128, over six. Kevin Duffy, Hillingdon, 140¾, won from Freddie Balio, West Africa, 159, over six. Ron Everett, Hounslow, 142, stopped Alex Burns, Poole, 137½, in the third. Dany Wall, Wembley, 175½, knocked out Gordon Tomlinson, Crawley, 168, in the first round.

▶ EPSOM.—Ron Richardson, Canning Town, 146½, stopped Leo Maloney, Hillingdon, 148½, in the sixth when Maloney was forced to quit with a badly gashed eyebrow. Bobby Johnson, Plymouth, 154, and Billy Coulter, Greenwich, 154, drew over eight rounds. Ken Mullins, Jamaica, 161½, outpointed Frank Bassenger, Bournemouth, 170, over six rounds. Phil Harrington, Guildford, 173½, outpointed Peter Aldridge, Doncaster, 179, over six. Chris Charles, Covent Garden, 144, knocked out Terence Raymond, Enfield, 147, in the third. Vic Bowyer, Romford, 144, stopped Johnny Arrow, Croydon, 143, in the third session.

▶ ROYAL ALBERT HALL.—Henry Cooper, Bellingham, 195¾, had an easy task when he stopped Maurice Mols, heavyweight champion of France, 200½, in the fourth. Lew Lazar, Aldgate, 159½, took a narrow points decision from Ali Belkacem, Algeria, 153, over eight rounds. Sam Langford, Nigeria, 171¼, outpointed last minute substitute Brian Anders, Brighton, 173, over eight rounds. Anders announced his retirement after this bout. Arthur Murphy, Camden Town, 135, outpointed Jeff Waters, Scarsborough, 134½, over six rounds. George Whelan, Acton, 137½, stopped Frank O'Brien, Galway, 141½, in the fifth. Peter Bates, Shirebrook, 211, stopped Jim Cooper, Bellingham, 197½, in the second round when the latter was forced to retire with a badly cut eyebrow. Eddie Lennon, Dublin, 162½, stopped Ernie Martland, Doncaster, 163, in the third.

▶ CARDIFF.—Dick Richardson, Newport's 21 year old Heavyweight hope, 198½, stopped Marcel Limage, Belgium, 193, in the fifth. Trevor Snell, Cardiff, 187, stopped Colin Strauch, South Africa, 185½, in the third, the referee halting the bout when Strauch received a badly cut eyebrow. Len Reece, Cardiff, 113, stopped Dave Moore, Belfast, 114½, in the first round. Terry Jenkins, Newport, 117, stopped Barney Friel, Belfast, 121½, in the second. Eddie Williams, Tredegar, 150½, stopped Andy Andrews, Cardiff, 150½, in the seventh. Ayree Jackson, Gold Coast, 132½, outpointed Teddy Barker, Swindon, 131½, over six rounds.

▶ LIVERPOOL STADIUM.—British and Empire Flyweight Champion Dai Dower, Abercynon, 116, gave a faultless boxing display to outpoint Robert Meunier, France, 117, over eight rounds. Dower boxed beautifully, but his lack of punching power marred an otherwise perfect display. Jeff Dudu, Nigeria, 151, outpointed Parry Dando, Llanhilleth, 144, over eight. Joe Rufus, Nigeria, 144, outpointed Eddie Sykes, Huddersfield, 151, over six. Bobby Gill, Birkenhead, 145, outpointed Tommy Barnabas, Holywell, 150, over six. Alf Cottam, Preston, 128, took a four rounds points decision from Billy Gibson, Doncas-

BRITISH EMPIRE RATINGS

(TO APRIL 14, 1956)

HEAVYWEIGHTS	CRUISERWEIGHTS	MIDDLEWEIGHTS	WELTERWEIGHTS
1. Don Cockell (E)	Yolande Pompey (T)	Pat McAteer (E)	George Barnes (A)
2. James J. Parker (C)	Ron Barton (E)	Mike Holt (SA)	Hector Constance (T)
3. Jack Gardner (E)	Yvon Durelle (C)	Johnny Sullivan (E)	Vincent O'Kine (WA)
4. Johnny Williams (E)	Gordon Wallace (C)	Billy Ellaway (E)	Attu Clottey (WA)
5. Joe Erskine (W)	Albert Finch (E)	Lew Lazar (E)	Yama Bahama (B)
6. Henry Cooper (E)	Terrence Murphy (E)	Jimmy Elliott (SA)	Peter Waterman (E)
7. Joe Bygraves (E)	Arthur Howard (E)	Les Allen (E)	Benny Nieuwenhizen (SA)
8. Kitione Lave (To)	Johnny Halafihi (TO)	Billy McDonnell (A)	Wally Thom (E)
9. Dick Richardson (W)	Ed (Polly) Smith (BE)	Eddie Thomas (SA)	Barry Brown (NZ)
10. Brian London (E)	Joveci Bau (F)	Charley Chase (C)	Peter King (E)

LIGHTWEIGHTS	FEATHERWEIGHTS	BANTAMWEIGHTS	FLYEIGHTS
1. Ludwig Lightburn (BH)	Hogan Bassey (WA)	Kevin James (A)	Dai Dower (W)
2. Richie Howard (C)	Charley Hill (S)	Peter Keenan (S)	Jake Tuli (SA)
3. Johnny v. Rensburg (SA)	Elijah Mokone (SA)	Fernand Gagnon (C)	Jimmy Quinn (S)
4. Armand Savoie (C)	Alby Tissong (WA)	George Dormer (E)	Frankie Jones (S)
5. Solly Cantor (C)	Billy Kelly (I)	Jimmy Cardew (E)	Malcolm McLeod (E)
6. Joe Lucy (E)	Jimmy Black (T)	David Gogotya (SA)	Dennis Adams (SA)
7. Sammy McCarthy (E)	Jimmy Brown (I)	John Smillie (S)	Teddy Rainbow (A)
8. Colin Clarke (A)	Matt Fulton (S)	George O'Neill (I)	Gerry Jooste (SA)
9. Frank Johnson (E)	Bobby Neill (S)	Jimmy Carson (I)	Bindi Jack (A)
10. Dave Charnley (E)	Sammy Bonnici (M)	Frankie Bennett (A)	Dick Currie (S)

LEGEND—(A) Australia; (B) Bahamas; (B) Barbados; (BE) Bermuda; (BG) British Guiana; (BH) British Honduras; (C) Canada; (E) England; (F) Miji Islands; (GC) Gold Coast; (I) Ireland; (J) Jamaica; (M) Malta; (N) Nigeria; (NZ) New Zealand; (S) Scotland; (SA) South Africa; (T) Trinidad; (TO) Tonga; (W) Wales (WA) West Africa.

ter, 127. Jackie Tiller, Manchester, 122, outpointed Eddie Burns, Liverpool, 123½, over four rounds.

▶ BLACKPOOL.—Jimmy Lynas, Coventry, 160, outpointed Dick Tiger, Nigeria, 162, over eight rounds. Ron Kilshaw, Blackpool, 148, outscored Colin Stirzaker, Middlesborough, 150, over six. Eric Lord, Bacup, 114 won over Bobbie Davies, Lancaster, 112, over four rounds. Malcolm Tiffany, Castleford, 143½, knocked out Derek Reynolds, Blackpool, 150, in the fourth. Brian Petherwick, Preston, 147½, stopped Ray Danbridge, Huddersfield, 147, in the fourth.

▶ BELFAST.—Jimmy Brown, Belfast, 129, stopped Len Shaw, Sheffield, 130½, in the second of a scheduled eight rounder. Tommy Emberson, Bangor, 114½, stopped Joe Murphy, Glasgow, 112½, in the fifth. Johnny Blane, Belfast, 139½, outpointed Jim Feeney, Banbridge, 134½, eight rounds. Jim McCormick, Belfast, 130, knocked out Cecil Martin, Belfast, 131, in the first. Al Thomas, Belfast, 134½, stopped Arty White, Bangor, 139½, in the fourth.

▶ SEYMOUR HALL, LONDON—Dave Charnley, Dartford, 133, scored his best win to date when he stopped Johnny Butterworth, Rochdale, 135, in the fifth. Charney had Butterworth in a sad condition before referee Pat Floyd called time. George Dormer, East Ham, 118¾, outpointed Ron Johnson, Bethnal Green, 120, over the eight rounds course. Ron Richardson, Canning Town, 147½, smartly outpointed Jeff Dudu, Nigeria, 150¼, over eight. Jimmy Giles, Stepney, 139, outpointed Jimmy McAteer, Catford, 127½, over six. Pat McCairn, Bethnal Green, 127½, stopped Tommy Macormac, Ayr, 128¾, in the third.

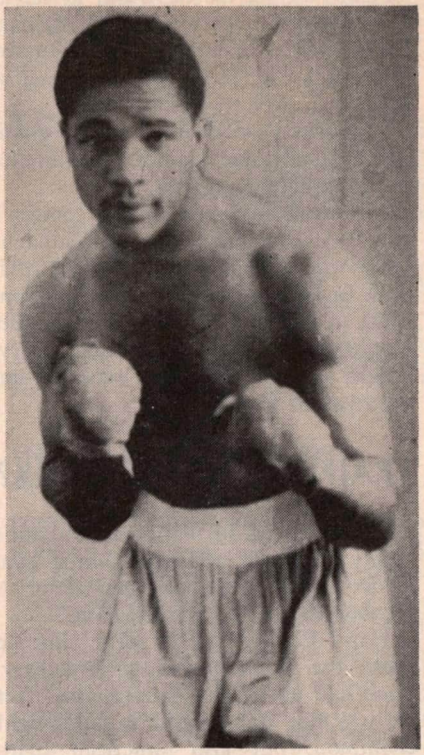
▶ NATIONAL SPORTING CLUB.—Making his debut as a middleweight after a long layoff, George Happe, Bethnal Green, 161, got off to a good start when he came from behind to draw with Gerry McNally, Liverpool, 161½, over eight rounds. Tony Barrett, Pimlico, 149½, outpointed Jack Armstrong, Gold Coast, 147, over six. Peter Reed, Cambridge, 127, outscored Dave Goodwin, Bournemouth, 127¾, over six. Alf Drew, Hackney, 127¾, notched a points win over Peter Sexton, Charlton, 124½, after six hotly contested rounds. Terry Toole, Hackney, 123, stopped Graham Disney, Weston-Super-Mare, in the second. Al Pallent, Penge, 130, outpointed Terry Russell, Poplar, 131½, over six.

▶ WEMBLEY TOWN HALL.—Arthur Murphy, Camden Town, 134½, stopped Jackie Horseman, West Hartlepool, 136, in the fifth. Tony Chellis, Euston, 140½, stopped Vic Bowyer, Hornchurch, 143, in the fourth. Johnny Maloney, Dagenham, 148¼, outpointed Tommy Lee, Croydon, 147¼, over six rounds. Ken Ashwood, Derby, 148, was impressive in defeating Vispi Banaji, India, 152½, over six rounds. Johnny Millington, Channel Islands, 163½, stopped Ray Allen, Manchester, 163½, in the third. Terry Horrix, Westmbourne Grove, 132, and Dennis Preston, 136½, drew over six. Ron Everett, Hounslow, 141½, stopped Jimmy Corbett, Feltham, 143½, in the fifth.

▶ CAMBERWELL BATHS.—Les Allen, Betworth, 162, easily outpointed Johnny Read, Croydon, 161¼, over eight rounds. George Whelan, Acton, 135, outscored Jimmy Tippett, Greenwich, 136½, over eight. Vic Smith, Croydon, 143¾, and Terry Burke, West Ham, 142, had at it hammer-and-tongs before the referee halted the bout in the fifth after Burke had taken four long counts. Barney Beale, Lambeth, 137½, outpointed Jimmy Cottrill, Birkenhead, 140, over six rounds. Ken Mullins, Jamaica, 162½, knocked out Phil Anderson, 166, in the third of a scrambling bout.

▶ GREAT YARMOUTH. — Sani Armstrong, Gold Coast, 149½, outpointed Bobby Johnson, Plymouth, 147¾, over eight rounds. Peter Hill, Leyton, 138, outpointed Clive Campling, Norwich, 138, over six rounds. Kenny Thomas, Covent Garden, 128, stopped Cliff Giles, Linton, 124, in the fourth, a badly gashed eyebrow causing the stoppage. Brian White, Caister, 133, and Terry Johns, Harrow, 139, drew over six rounds. Ken Lancaster, Mexborough, 153, outscored Freddie Balio, Gambia, 159, over six rounds. Sammy Williams, British Guiana, 141, outpointed Johnny Spittle, Barnsley, 142, over six wild rounds.

▶ WALSALL.—Terry Cullen, Sunderland, 147, recovered well from a first round knockdown to outpoint Willie Carr, Stockport, 149, over eight rounds. Ted Williams, Huddersfield, 172, stopped Don McCall, Nottingham, 174, in the second. Martin Tolan, Leeds, 131, outpointed Billy Allport, Walsall, 129½, over six. Derek Clarke, Burnley, 140, won over Vic Glover, Birmingham, 139½, after six



Yolande Pompey of Trinidad, warming up for his world light heavyweight title bout with Archie Moore, halted Moses Ward in seven rounds at Harringay Arena, London.

interesting rounds. Steve Gee, Nottingham, 151½, outpointed Harry Mason, Stourbridge, 151, over six.

▶ SPAULDING.—Barry Ward, Nottingham, 127, took three counts in his bout with Tony Russell, Leeds, 127½, but the referee thought that he had done enough to win. Fred Britton, Kings Lynn, 166, outpointed Jack Johnson Cofie, Gold Coast, 164, over eight. Roy Akwei, Nigeria, 137, outscored Jeff Walters, Scarsborough, 137, over eight rounds. Barry Leonard, Nottingham, 160, outpointed Morley Nightingale, Ely, 160, over six rounds. Gerry Parker, Beeston, 112, outpointed Tony Williams, Wellingborough, 111, over six fast rounds.

▶ LIVERPOOL. — Peter King, Manchester, 149½, was awarded a points decision over Eddie Phillips, Edinburgh, 148, at the end of eight scrambling rounds. Ron Greb, Liverpool, 140, was too rough for the clever Welsh lightweight champion Willie Lloyd of Crickhowell, 137½. The decision at the end of eight rounds, received a mixed reception.

Malcolm Tiffany, Castleford, 143, scored a good win in his first professional debut against Tommy Waterworth, Goldborne, 137, the referee intervened in his favour, after Waterworth had taken three counts. Gerry Jones, Wigan, 119, outpointed Ken Baker, Birmingham, 118, in four. Brian Petherwick, Preston, 146, knocked out Ron Barnard, Carlisle, 143, in the fourth.

▶ BELFAST. — Sammy Hamilton, Belfast, 160¾, gained a points win over John Woolard, Glasgow, 161¼, at the end of eight rounds. David Croll, Dundee, 127, stopped Michael Feeney, Bambridge, 129½, in the fifth. Charlie Cosgrove, Belfast, 150, had an easy victory over Joe Toner, Belfast, 148½, the referee was forced to intervene during the third round to save Toner further punishment. Harry Hunter, Belfast, 120, knocked out Billy Murphy, Belfast, 119½, in the second. Al Thomas, Belfast, 134¼, stopped Eddie Bamber, Belfast, 139¼, in the first.

▶ BIRMINGHAM.—Leo Molloy, the smart Birkenhead lightweight, 137, gave an impressive display against Ray Corbett, Birmingham, 137¼, to win on points after eight rounds. Billy Conn, Birmingham, 206, outpointed Dennis Fewkes, Nottingham, 184, in six. Pat McCairn, Bethnal Green, 126¼, outpointed Alf Cottam, Preston, 128, in six. Vic Smith, Croydon, 144, knocked out Stan Barnett, Newton-le-Willows, 141½, in the second. Ray Akwei, Gold Coast, 138, and Jim Cottrill, Birkenhead, 137¾, fought six rounds to a draw. Ken Lancaster, Mexborough, 151¼, stopped Don Williams, Southall, 154, in the fourth.

▶ LEICESTER. — Darkie Hughes, Cardiff, 136¾, outpointed Kurt Ernest, Exeter, 139, in a hard fought 8 round bout. Paul King, Torquay, 151½, was too strong and aggressive for the defensive Welsh welterweight champion, Rees Moore, 149, and was a good winner in eight rounds. Freddie Hicks, Bermondsey, 130¼, was declared the winner over Bobby Boland, Dundee, 129½, when the latter was ruled out in the fourth, for the misuse of his head. Bob Jeacock, Market Harborough, 162¾, outpointed Stan Hooker, Bournemouth, 161¼, in six. Eddie Williams, Tredegar, 149, outpointed Jimmy Brogden, Manchester, 150, in eight. Stephen Coombe, 193, and Billy Conn, Birmingham, 204¼, fought six rounds to a draw. Abe Stanley, Poole, stopped Stan Davis, Kettering, in the sixth of a cruiserweight contest.

▶ HARRINGAY.—Ron Barton, West Ham, 172½, became the British lightheavyweight champion, in his 22nd professional bout when he stopped Albert Finch, Croydon, 174, in the eighth round. A cut eye sustained by Finch in the seventh round was the turning point. Barton's favor, for the veteran Croydon boxer had given the youngster many anxious moments. On this form, Barton will have to improve, if he has any ideas of competing amongst the worlds best cruiserweights.

Yolande Pompey, Trinidad, 170¾, did not have much trouble in defeating Moses Ward, U. S. A., 164½. The latter although on the receiving end most of the time, he nevertheless was a dangerous opponent and Pompey made an easy task into a tough one by wanting to do too much to impress the fans for his forthcoming world championship clash with Archie Moore.

▶ The most thrilling bout ever seen at Harringay Arena was that between Johnny Miller, North Shields, 136¾, and Boswell St. Louis, Trinidad, 135¾. These two fought every second of their eight rounds. When the two tired fighters came up for the eighth and last round it was even-stephen till the last gong, when referee Pat Floyd gave the only decision in such a slugfest, "A DRAW." The fans were so thrilled and happy at the outcome, that they threw money into the ring for the two fighters. It was the first time that I have seen what we call in Great Britain "Nobbings" for a contest at this arena.

Bobby Neil, Edinburgh, 127¼, gave a faultless display of boxer-fighter when he defeated Ken Lawrence, Southampton, 127¼, over eight rounds. Neil is sure to get a title clash ere long.

Brian London, Blackpool, 197¾, took 70 seconds of the first round to make Jose Peyre, Belgium, 201½, call "finis" by raising his right hand after being chased around the ring. Jimmy Elliott, South Africa, 158¾, gained a close points decision over Les Allen, Bedworth, 160¾, after 10 rounds; Elliott came from behind to gain the decision by his whirlwind finish in the last two rounds. Fred "Nosher" Powell, Walworth, 205¾, outpointed Basil Kew, Putney, 192, in an eight round bout.

▶ LIVERPOOL.—Sam Langford, Nigeria, 173, can consider himself a fortunate winner over Neville Rowe, Australia, 176, for the latter was well in front in the fifth round, when he sustained a badly cut eye, forcing the referee to call a halt and declare Langford the winner. Wally Scott, West Ham, 155½, stopped Dave Brandon, Durham, 161½, in the third. Frankie Webb, Wigan, 149, outpointed Eddie Sykes, Huddersfield, 153, in six. Johnny Hunt, Leigh, 174, knocked out Paddy Delargy, Warwick, 168½, in the third. Eric Lord, Bacup, 115½, outpointed Brian Duckles, Hull, 118, in four.

▶ BELFAST.—Jimmy Brown, Belfast, 126, one of the most promising of the new crop of youngsters, retained his unbeaten record, with a points win over the experienced Teddy Peckham, Bournemouth, 125, the referee stopped the one-sided contest in the eighth round, stating that Peckham was too far behind on points. Gordon Goodman, Bournemouth, 138, outpointed Paddy Graham, Belfast, 137½, in eight. Matt Fulton, Coatbridge, 128, another promising featherweight, knocked out Joe Quinn, Belfast, 127½, in the eighth. Jim Fisher, Belfast, 128¼, stopped Terry McHale, Liverpool, 126¾, in the fourth. Jim McCormick, Belfast, 128½, outpointed Dave Goodwin, Bournemouth, 128½, in six. Ronnie Currie, Belfast, 124, stopped Dave Walsh, Belfast, in the fifth.

▶ EMPRESS HALL, EARLS COURT.—Peter Waterman, the young Clapham welterweight, believes in keeping fighting fit before he tangles with Kid Gavilan in a return contest. Freddie Mills, the promoter, had many difficulties before an opponent could be agreed upon after the original selection, Charles Odon of France had called off. Forty-eight hours before the show was to take

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MELBOURNE THEIR GOAL

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Mickey Walker and Joey Maxim, did his utmost to induce Barbour to become a pro under Kearns' management but without avail. Corbett also was eager to manage Warren and so were Charley White and Tom O'Rourke. All figured that if he turned pro he could whip any of the white hopes and probably beat Jack Johnson.

The cheers that greeted Warren on his victory over Burke were deafening but the greatest joy was expressed by Col. Barbour, his father, a wealthy thread merchant. He leaped over the ropes into the ring, hugged his son, and approaching James E. Sullivan, president of the A.A.U. who was sitting at the ringside, he shouted, "didn't I tell you the boy would do it ? He's the best ever."

Many attempted to get Warren to turn pro. O'Rourke, more eager than ever to land the plum as he figured, appealed strongly to the father but without success. I accompained Tom and as a last resort, I heard him ask Colonel Barbour since he wouldn't permit Warren to turn professional, would he consent to have him box six rounds with Jack Johnson for which his compensation would be jewelry while Jack would be paid $10,000, an arrangement such as had in 1894 been carried out in the National Sporting Club of London. There George Steers, middleweight amateur champion was pitted against Frank Craig, American Negro star pro.

Of course this was turned down. It was a swell idea that would have drawn a huge gate, but it didn't work. Warren was willing but dad said no and so it remained.

Warren Barbour it will be recalled, acted as timer for the Dempsey-Willard bout in Toledo, and Eagan acted as chief of staff in preparing Battling Siki for his famous St. Patrick's Day bout with Mike McTigue in Dublin in 1923 in which Siki lost the world light heavyweight crown.

Eagan and Barbour were not the only top amateurs who refused to listen to the jingle of gold after reaching the heights as simon pures. Norval Lee, who won the light heavyweight crown in the last Olympic Games, turned a deaf ear to those who tried to have him abandon his amateur status.

In 1904, H. J. Spangler won the lightweight championship in the Olympic Games in St. Louis and instead of turning pro as he was urged, he joined the New York Police Department.

But among the American boys who won Olympic Games championships, in the past and then turned to professional boxing, were Fidel La Barba who won the world flyweight title; Frankie Genaro, winner of the world flyweight title, Nate Brooks who was acclaimed North American bantam champion by the N.B.A. and Jackie Fields, winner of the world welterweight crown.

Jack and Pete Zivic who were eliminated in Olympic Games preliminaries were top fighters as pros.

Johnny Gaddi, one of our country's best A.A.U referees was a great amateur boxer who wouldn't give up his A.A.U. card. In 1916 in the national championships in Newark, he won the middleweight, light heavyweight and heavyweight titles in one evening—an unsurpassed feat.

TRAINING IS THE BUNK?

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"People used to marvel at Dundee's ability to make weight," Curley concluded. "There was no secret about it. He worked, and he worked hard."

Harry Greb loved to fight, and he loved the bright lights of Broadway. Greb had no use for gymnasiums. Yet he was not only world middleweight champion, but also American light-heavyweight champion. He was the only man to win from the serious-minded Gene Tunney, who built himself up physically until as a full grown heavyweight he won the title from Jack Dempsey.

"I can tell you about Greb," said Doc Moore, veteran fight manager, while sipping his coffee in the Garden Cafeteria. *"Reddy Mason, who managed him told me years ago.*

"When Greb had a big one coming up, Mason would sign him to fight some lesser opponent for anything he could get. Some nights Greb got as little as $250. He used the lesser fight to train for the important one scheduled at a later date.

'That's why there are so many fights in his record—fights in small towns all over the United States. Greb was doing his training and getting paid something, even if the amount didn't cover expenses, for doing it. Mason said Greb fought himself into condition."

Rosenbloom once explained his unorthodox training methods to me. Life was, and still is fun to Slapsie-Maxie, who is now a successful entertainer.

"Sure I hang around night clubs and stay up late," the light-heavyweight champion said. *"But I don't drink, and I don't smoke. I like to dance, so I dance. Dancing is good for you physically. I can get in shape just dancing."*

Many who have seen Rosenbloom fight will not challenge the truth of that statement. Rosenbloom liked to dance, both out of and in the ring.

Max Baer is remembered for many things. One is that he laughed away the world heavyweight championship. Training for him was a huge joke. It was the bunk.

Baer qualified to fight Primo Carnera for the title by knocking out Max Schmeling. He had to wait a year before getting his chance at the crown and among other things, he had time to make a movie: **"The Prize Fighter and the Lady."** The film title was appropriate. It fitted Baer like his tailor made dinner jacket.

Madcap Maxie's romances began to get lines in the gossip columns. When he trained at Asbury Park for Carnera, it was obvious to all he was in no condition. *"Throw the bum out,"* shouted Bill Brown, the blunt New York Commissioner. But this time talent triumphed. A poorly conditioned Baer won the heavyweight title and if anything, his pace quickened.

But it caught up with him when he defended the title against James J. Braddock. Jersey Jim was supposed to be in there for a pay night, but he had courage and he had trained faithfully. When he could do nothing with the determined Braddock, Baer began to clown and laugh. He was still laughing at the end of 15 rounds when Braddock's hand was raised in victory. Later that year, Madcap Maxie was pitiful against a young Joe Louis.

Then he reformed. Nobody ever trained harder than Baer did at Grossinger when he was getting ready to fight Lou Nova. He was slimmed down to where he could circle his waist with his enormous hands. Only then it was too late. The harder Baer trained, the more he took out of himself. A stubborn Nova weathered the early storm and came on to stop the former heavyweight champion.

In contrast to Baer is the current heavyweight champion. Nobody trains harder, longer and more faithfully than Rocky Marciano. It has paid off many times. It paid off when he got off the floor in the first round and fought back to win the title from Jersey Joe Walcott and again when he got up after being floored by Archie Moore. It paid off the night Ezzard Charles split his nose, yet couldn't halt Marciano's bull-like attack.

Since the Moore fight last September, Rocky has taken life easy, and one of the reasons for reports he means to, or has retired, is due to his failure to follow his usual training routine. Not that Marciano is a playboy, but he and his wife Barbara feel they are entitled to enjoy his hard-fought success. Instead of going to Grossinger, Marciano and his wife took a trip to South America while the boxing world wondered as to his future.

Tony Galento of course trained on beer. He always thought that training was the bunk. As things turned out, the night he fought Louis that wasn't such a good idea.

MICHIGAN FISTIC FACTS
By Jack Waina

BOXING ACTIVITY HERE TOOK A NOSE DIVE the past month, but prospects for the future look bright. With yours truly doing the matchmaking and Arthur Finks promoting, the newly organized Motor City Boxing Club will swing into high gear with three shows.

Nick Londes has turned on the lights again at the Olympia Stadium with a nationally televised show featuring popular Chuck Speiser against Joe Rowan. Londes still trying to line something up for Johnny Summerlin, but has been running into road blocks: It appears that most of the ranking boys or so called name performers, like to keep it that way without risking their status.

Out on the west coast where Johnny has whipped everything in sight. They have offered big Johnny Holman $7,500 to get inside of the same ring with Frank Loftis' fine charger but without success. By the way, it wasn't too long ago that I watched Embrel Davidson stop this same Holman cold in two rounds at the Motor City Arena. Today, Holman is considered a leading contender for Rocky Marciano's title while Davidson is out of the game back home in Columbus, Ohio.

▶A visitor here, Eddie Futch, formerly one of the best trainers in section of the country is now a Californian. . . . Although many of the other trainers get more glory, the best in the business here today is Theo. McWhorter. The little fellow works with Johnny Summerlin, Duke Harris, Chuck Speiser, Don Jasper and many others. His record of bringing boys up the trail is amazing and his fighters are always in condition.

▶Henry Hank scored a fine victory over in Cleveland when he stopped Rudy Gwinn in four rounds. Hank seems to have hit his stride. . . . Moses Ward was stopped again, this time by Yolande Pompey in England. Ward is through as a top notch performer. . . . Marty Marshall tried as a last minute sub at Pittsburgh against Sonny Liston, but was never in the contest and lost. Forest Foster is eager to get Marshall back for his fine lightheavy John Riggins, but in Detroit. The match might be made soon at the Motor City Boxing Arena.

CONNECTICUT BOXING NEWS
By Sal Giacobbe

NEW BRITAIN:—THE NEWLY FORMED CAPITAL AREA SPORTS CLUB, Inc., with Gil Hershman as promoter and Veteran Gus Browne as Matchmaker, got off to a great start, financially speaking. Artistically, the show was a flop. Although the undercard was terrific, the main bout which lured a crowd of 1,240 turned out to be a farce. Top ranking Floyd Patterson couldn't even get up a sweat as his opponent, heavyweight champion of Bermuda, Jimmy Walls, 192, offered no resistance at all. Walls apparently too scared to be in the same ring with Patterson, was dropped three times with very light punches before Referee Max Muravnick stopped proceedings at 2:29 of the second round.

Patterson at 183, had no opportunity to show his wares as he toyed with his inept opponent.

In the better than ordinary undercard, Dobie Josie, 158, Springfield, behind on points in the six round bout, belted out Art Holliday, 155, Hartford, in the fourth round.

In a four rounder, Benny Borden, 157, New Britain, made his pro debut against Eric Cross, 160, Hartford. Cross was disqualified at 2:04 of the final round for repeated butting and the bout was awarded to Borden, who was ahead at this point on the referee's card. The remainder of the card was made up of action packed semi-pro bouts. The gross gate was $3,082.00.

▶Bristol:—Another new club to hit Connecticut's fistic horizon made its debut a successful one by presenting a good show at the Bristol Arena. Julie Larese, long time Bristol business man and sporting impresario, is the new promoter. With 594 paying customers and a gross of close to $900, Larese's first boxing venture was also a financial success. In the main event of six rounds, Frankie Roche, 138, up-and-coming local lightweight, avenged his only previous loss by upsetting Earl "Kid" Mathews, 136, Boston in a very pleasing bout. There were no knockdowns and the final score on Referee Eddie Reed's card 22 to 19 in favor of Roche, was well received by the partisan crowd, which was just about the way we saw it.

In a four rounder, Nick Davano, 126, Norwich, scored a sensational 4th round KO over his much taller opponent, Jackie Williams, 128, Boston.

As is generally the case in Connecticut Boxing shows the rest of the card was of the semi-pro variety. Conn. has no amateur boxing, so beginners join the semi-pro ranks and are paid a small stipend for their services, boxing three two minute rounds.

▶Two more new boxing clubs are scheduled to get started this month. In Hartford, Bill Curry and Mushky Salow have already lined up a card, to feature Willie Pep. In New Haven, George Adams, local business man, will head a group contracted to run 10 shows at the New Haven Arena. GOOD LUCK FELLOWS!

▶The Connecticut Boxing Guild will honor one of its own members, Gus Browne, at their Eighth Annual Banquet, May 3rd, at Church Corners Inn, East Hartford. Gus Browne, a veteran of fifty years in boxing, well deserves this honor. We CONGRATULATE Gus for his splendid service to boxing over this long span and the Guild for making this deserving award.

IN OLD NEW ENGLAND
By Don Hamill

BOSTON GARDEN—TONY DE MARCO, 145½, FORMER WORLD'S WELTERWEIGHT CHAMPION from Boston, came off the floor in the first round to overpower world's lightweight king, Wallace "Buddy" Smith, 142, Cincinnati, and won by a ninth round technical knockout. In the first round, DeMarco was spilled for a 7 count by a left hook to the jaw. DeMarco piled up points with his relentless attack and in the eighth round cornered Smith and belabored him. When the bell rang ending the round Smith dropped to his knees. Two rights and a left that sent Smith reeling and started his ear gushing blood prompted Referee Jimmy McCarron to call a halt. A crowd of 7851 paid 33,262 to see the fight.

Jake Josato, 148½, Philadelphia, turned back Rudolph Bent, 144½, British Honduras, in the eight round semi-final. Eddie Connors, 146, Sharon, looked good stopping Denny Goslow, 152, Worcester, in two heats. Tony Bell, 150, Boston, stopped veteran Iggy Vaccari, 149, Boston, in six rounds. Don Webber, 155, Tilton, N. H., and Sal Cantino, 160½, Boston, ended up all even at the end of four rounds.

▶Holyoke—Valley Arena—Hard punching Ted Doncaster, 166, Sackville, N.S., experienced little difficulty disposing of Roger Fernandez, 156, Wareham, Mass. Doncaster racked up his seventh win by a knockout at the Arena. Fernandez was on the floor three times in the first round, once when he was wrestled to the floor, a collision of heads, and from a glancing left hook. The second round had hardly started when a light right sent him down again. Referee Jack Dekkers promptly intervened.

Gerry Tessier, 171, Springfield, and Roger Wiley, 178½, Beverly, ended up all even after eight hard fought rounds. Tessier was the harder puncher and scored well at long range but Wiley's forte was in the infighting. Red Robitaille, 193½, Springfield, spoiled the pro debut of Bernie Spencer, 190, Westover Field, who had been outstanding in the recent New England A.A.U. tournament. Ronnie Chapdelaine, 153¾, Springfield, avenged a defeat by taking a decision over Don Vincent, 144, Providence, also in a four rounder. Al Lariviere, 145, Granby, won his second straight comeback bout over Myrel Olmstead, 133, Springfield, in the opener.

▶BOSTON GARDEN—Walter Byars, 139½, Boston, retained the New England welterweight title he won from Bobby Murphy, 142½, Boston, by scoring a convincing 5 round kayo over the Rookie of the Year for 1955. Byars punched Murphy around from the opening bell. Murphy was dropped just before the bell in both the second and fourth rounds. Smashing right hands to the head dropped Murphy three times in the fifth round. When he went down the third time Referee Joe Zapustas called a halt despite the fact that 3 knockdown rule does not apply in Massachusetts. Murphy was out cold for 1½ minutes.

Claude Chapman, 185¾, Cambridge, won the New England havyweight title by halting Ray Phillips, 188, Boston, in 26 seconds of the 6th round. Chapman proved too ringwise for the hitherto undefeated Phillips, who was bounced off the canvas 3 times in the fifth before a right to the chin spilled him for the night. Wilbur Wilson, 145½, Roxbury, and Eddie Connors, 146¼, Sharon, engaged in a spirited tussle with Wilson, the aggressor, having too great a variety of punches for the previously undefeated Connors. The Sharon youngster refused to give ground and hurt Wilson in the 5th. Bob Woodall, 208, Sampson, N. Y., now living in Boston, had to come off the floor in the first round. He fought an uphill battle and dropped Bob Graves, 220¼, Elizabeth, N. J., in the ninth round. Seconds later Referee Zapustas stopped the fight with Graves in a dazed condition. There were 5017 payees who made up a gross gate of $13,268.

▶Holyoke—Valley Arena—Barry Allison, 152¾, Westover Field, annexed the New England middleweight crown by virtue of a close upset decision over Sammy Walker, 156¾, Springfield, in a ten rounder before a near capacity crowd. Allison copped the first three rounds by cuffing Walker freely. He let Walker take the play away from him with a body attack until the eighth when Allison again punched Walker almost at will. Allison did little punching in the final two heats. The decision was split with both judges voting for Allison and the referee giving Walker his nod.

Al Lariviere, 146, Granby, made short work of Ralph Peters, 141, Westover Field, by stopping him in less than a round of the semi-final. Bernie Spencer, 191, Westover Field, looked impressive as he thoroughly trounced Walter Cronan, 215, Waterbury, in four rounds. Dennis McCann, 184, Hartford, was awarded a tko when Bob Robbins, 186, Westover Field, bowed out with a cut eye at the end of the second. Sonny Boykin, 160, Westover Field, whipped Lou Odom, 163, Boston, in the four round opener.

ARUBA, N.W.I. RING NEWS
By Jimmy Lambert

In ONE OF THE GREATEST COME-BACKS AND UPSETS ever seen in an Aruban ring, Battling Siki, 159, Aruba, got up off the floor in the first round and went on to give highly-rated and heavily-favored Ismael Espana, 155, welterweight champion of Venezuela, a boxing lesson that he will long remember to gain the unanimous decision at the end of 10 rounds at the Swingsters Square Garden.

The 8-round semi-final was a slug-fest from start to finish with practically no holds barred as Sam Langford, 149, Aruba, won a close decision over Young Quick Silver, 148, Aruba.

In a 6-rounder, Kid Fenton, 149, Aruba, also won a close decision over Young Carpentier, 149, Aruba.

The best fight of the evening from the spectators' viewpoint was a 4-rounder in which Ephifania Dania, 140, Aruba, pounded out a unanimous decision over Kid Zorzal, 147, Aruba.

In another 4-rounder, Kid Spider, 117, Aruba, proved too strong for the Black Terror, 110, Aruba, and easily won the decision. In the opening 3-rounder, Rubio Ruben, 148, Aruba, won a very close decision over Young Archie Moore, 142, Aruba.

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RATINGS

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Chuck Spieser stopped Joey Rowan, 6.
Joe Dorsey kayoed Ted Donald, 5.
Cuban titleholder Juan Carreras whipped Fernando Spallota, 10.

MIDDLEWEIGHTS

British Empire Champion Pat McAteer suffered first defeat in 40 pro bouts when outpointed by Jimmy Elliott, 10 (non-title).
Del Flanagan outpointed Abe Cruz, 10.
Ralph (Tiger) Jones outfought European Champion Charley Humez, 10.
Joey Giardello defeated Joe Shaw, 10.
Charley Joseph defeated Georgie Johnson, 10. Joey Giambra edged out Johnny Sullivan, 10. Germinal Ballarin outpointed Kid Gavilan, 10.
Hachiro Tatsumi rewon the Orient title by beating Teruo Onuki, 12. Dick Goldstein and Jimmy Martinez drew, 12.
Rory Calhoun walloped Jackie LaBua, 10. Del Flanagan outpointed Johnny Neal, 8.
Barry Allison outpointed Sammy Walker, 10. Gus Rubicini defeated Andy Mayfield, 10. Clarence Hinnart stopped Al Andrews, 8.
Harold Darlington bested John Lord, 6. Randy Sandy returned to action after two years in the service and kayoed Alfonso Flores, 3.
Hardy Smallwood outfought Gasper Ortega, 10. Dutch Champion Leen Jansen continued unbeaten by halting Freddi Teichmann, 9. Teichmann also lost to Mario Cicarelli, 10. Cliff Schellin defeated Jim Cody, 10.
Jimmy Palazzola decisioned Hurley Sanders, 10. Gabriel Barragan decisioned Santos Gutierrez, 10.
Steve Marcello stopped Pete Adams, 3. Jimmy Perrault whipped Benny Mason, 6.
Barry Brown stopped Pran Mikus, 7. Gabriel Diaz stopped Roberto Brito, 3. Jim Hegerle kayoed Chuck Livingston, 1, and Jim Burke, 2. Andre Drille outfought Manuel Correa, 10.
Don Johnson flattened Alfie Sands, 5. George Chimenti bested Billy Lepido, 6.
Guido Mazzinghi scored two knockdowns in beating Manolo Correa, 10. George Harrell halted Jimmy Skinner, 5.
Gene Washington defeated Jimmy Clemente, 6. Darby Brown halted Harry Grogan, 10. Louis Trochon whipped Jean Ruellet, 10. Sonny Gill bested Rocky Slater, 6.
Ernie Buford defeated Al Hauser, 10. Wilf Greaves kayoed Ernie Smith, 4. Jerry Fraser outpointed Bid Nethers, 6.
Johnny Johnson nodded Willie Lee, 6. Frankie Rapino defeated Joe Washington, 6. Buddy Rush scored over Richie Johnson, 5. Rudy Watkins bested Pat Roberts, 6.
Joe Gomes defeated Rusty Davis, 6. Jiggs Reed stopped Alvin Payne, 6. Danny Perez kayoed Del Moore, 2. Buddy Rush kayoed Billy Richow, 2.

WELTERWEIGHTS

George Barnes retained British Empire title by stopping Benny Nieuwenhuizen, 13.
Duke Harris stopped Brian Kelly, 5.
Lou Gage and Giancarlo Garbelli drew, 10.
Billy Clark kayoed Joe Walker, 3.
Ike Jenkins won over Chuck Courtney, 6.
Virgil Akins outfought Hector Constance, 10.
Vince Martinez outpointed Miguel Diaz, 10.
Ramon Fuentes halted Mickey Savage, 4.
Art Aragon kayoed Danny Giovanelli, 9, and Raoul Perez, 5. Danny Cardenas defeated Al Juergens, 10. Al then bested Danny in 10. Charlie Cotton kayoed Lester Felton, 2.
Peter Waterman stopped Bruno Marostegan, 6. Yama Bahama stopped Jimmy Ford, 9. Clarence Cook kayoed Chango Patino, 4.
Walter Byars kayoed Bob Murphy, 5. Johnny Eubanks defeated Reybon Stubbs, 10. Billy Todd recovered from early knockdown to whip Franco Vescovi, 12.
Julio Cesar Jimenez decisioned Jesse Bogart, 10. Larry Baker stopped Pat Lowry, 8. Ernie (Sonny Boy) Williams kayoed Georgie Justine, 3.
Alfonso Ortiz kayoed Chico Villa, 4. Wilbur Wilson decisioned Eddie Connors, 10. Joe Borrel stopped Kid Azteca, 5.
Charley Scott kayoed Harry Deputy, 5. Alfredo Cota whipped Al Villegas, 10.
Gustavo Acosta decisioned Jerry Fowler, 10. Buddy McDonald kayoed Earl Lewis, 3. Dave Johnson stopped Phil Kim, 6. Earl Dennis defeated Giancarlo Garbelli, 10.
Constans Alcantara, stopped Baby Hawkins, 7. Jimmy Fisher stopped Mel Collins, 1. Joey Lewis beat Dave Cheatum, 6.
Pedro Fuentes defeated Enrique Saavedra, 10. Al Barbero defeated Johnny Milton, 6. Henry Hank kayoed Rudy Gwin, 6.
Joe Castaneda whipped Eduardo Rodriguez, 10, but was stopped by Kid Juarez, 6, who also kayoed Santiago Gonzalez, 5. Sauveur Chiocca was too shifty for Siegfried Burrow, 10. Rocky Caballero defeated Earl Clemmons, 6.
Dick Lane whipped Vincente Echevarria, 10. Tony DiBiase whipped Al Dixon, 6. Charles Odon relieved Pierre Wouters of Belgian championship, 4, but promptly lost it back to Wouters, 10. Luiz Vazquez kayoed Jesus Ortiz, 1.
Victor Torres kayoed Matias Fenoy, 3. Arturo Lopez bested Pete Ruiz, 6. German Champion Gunter Hase trounced Edgard Delannoit, 8.
Eddie Armstrong kayoed Don Vincent, 1. Alex Vargas whipped Tommy Elder, 6. Jacques Prigent outfought Idrissa Dione, 10. Jimmy Watkins beat Juan Tejeda, 6.
Jiggs Reed and Hank Casey drew, 6. Danny Davis beat Ralph Alvarez, 6. Don Weller whipped Gentrice O'Neil, 6. Al Boudreaux beat Valentin Garcia, 10, and Bobby Jones, 6.

LIGHTWEIGHTS

European Champion Duilio Loi won from Manola Garcia, 10 (non-title). Garcia previously stopped Alvaro Cerasini, 5.
Jimmy Carter outscored Don Jordan, 10. L. C. Morgan upset Ludwig Lightburn, 10.
Johnny Gonsalves decisioned welterweight Frankie Skidmore, 10. Kenny Lane defeated Enrique Esqueda, 10. Baby Vasquez edged out featherweight Humberto Carrillo, 10.
Joe Lopes stopped Henry Davis, 9. Rocky Randell kayoed Chato Hernandez, 3.
Aldo Mente upset Teddy (Red Top) Davis, 10, Teddy shaded Eddie Chavez, 10. Beto Carbajal stopped Manuel Rivera, 8.
Australian Champion Col Clarke stopped Don McTaggart, 8. Dennis Pat Brady outscored Tommy Tibbs, 10. Pantera de Champoton beat Manuel Ravell, 10 and drew with Trini Ruiz, 10, then lost to Gilbert Mullens, 10. Glen Flanagan kayoed Jackie Graves, 3.
Marcelino Pena stopped Bobby Cardenas, 10, and Felix Medina, 8. Alfredo Nevarez defeated Cesar Saavedra, 10. Larry Armstead stopped Freddie Moore, 2, but was kayoed by Gerry Black, 3. Alvaro Gutierrez halted Enrique Gomez, 5. Jackie Blair stopped Hector Bacquetts, 3.
Hector Garcia kayoed Manuel Pizena, 5. Ray Riojas stopped Eddie Brant, 3. Eddie kayoed Raul Reyna, 2.
Tommy Salem decisioned Tommy Elder, 6. Elder also lost to Alex Vargas, 6. Damasco Collazo halted Tobe Penaloza, 7. Manuel Almazan defeated Orizaba Kid, 10.
Bombero Aguilar and Terry Martinez, drew, 10. Armando Flores whipped Maxie Trero, 10. Maxie beat Curtis Woolwine, 10. Danny Davis stopped Fitzie Fitzpatrick, 8.
Carlos Ortiz kayoed Tuty Argaez, 2, Kid Kid Rejon, 7, and Kid Estrella, 4. Larry Cantiberos and Steve Takano drew, 6.
Mario Vecchiato won from Ray Paini, 10, and flattened Paolo Cipriani, 8. Walter Brown outfought Gene Butler, 6.
Ubaldo Ramirez won from Beto Gonzalez, 10. Floyd East kayoed Pat Brown, 6. Manuel Mendoza defeated Tabaco Kid, 10.
Dutch Champion Piet van Klaveren outscored Albert Muller, 10. Bobby Rogers decisioned Ike Vaughn, 6. Francis Bonnardel halted Andre Pierson, 6.
George Bracken flattened Russell Sands, 5. Mike Spataro decisioned Al Tisi, 6.
Ramon Bucjones stopped Vicente Matute, 8. Frank Roche defeated Earl Mathews, 6. Earl stopped Al Duarte, 5.
Fidel Lucero kayoed Luis Uribe, 2. Marcelino Molina stopped Guillermo Prieto, 3.
Chico Arroyo bested Davey Lee, 6. Dave Charnley thrashed Sammy McCarthy, 10. Sammy LaCrosse stopped Russ Davis, 4, and drew with Chuck Courtney, 6.
Nicki Gadson halted Herbie Jones, 4. Kenny Decarux defeated Mike Turcotte, 6.
Don Chester bested Billy Beals, 6. Bill Flamio and Danny Mendoza drew, 6. Chico Velez scored over Harry Bell, 6. Ernie Ramos beat Charlie Patterson, 6. Johnny McKoin kayoed Pat Brown, 5.

FEATHERWEIGHTS

World Champion Sandy Saddler lost to lightweight Larry Boardman, 10 (non-title).
Manuel Alvarez won the Argentina title by outpointing Alfredo Bunetta, 15.
British Empire Champion Hogan (Kid) Bassey kayoed Louis Cabo, 4.
French Champion Cherif Hamia outpointed Carmelo Costa, 10.
Paul Jorgensen kayoed Joe Boland, 10, and outpointed Davey Walden, 10. Orlando Castillo defeated Pedro Tesis, 10.
Victor (Sonny) Leon defeated Victor Quijano, 10. Nello Barbadoro regained Italian title by decisioning Altidoro Polidori, 12. Willie Pep outscored Buddy Baggett, 10.
Lauro Salas stopped Ralph Capone, 3. Lennie Walters outpointed Larry Vasquez, 10. Willie Toweel stopped Hubert Esakow, 10 (who died following day).
Isidro Martinez defeated Guillermo Medina, 10. Abel Donnell decisioned Shigeji Kaneko, 10. Akiyoshi Akanuma halted Ben Escobar, 9.
Kid Anahuac decisioned Beto Couary, 10, and kayoed Americo Rivera, 7. Beto then beat Otilio Galvan, 10. Dave Walden kayoed Bobby Garza, 1. Humberto Carrillo lost to lightweight Baby Vasquez, 10.
Robert Tartari edged out Jacques Lesseine, 8. Alfredo Nevarez won from Cesar Saavedra, 10. Cesar Morales stopped Pantera de Izamal, 5.
Ernesto Figueroa kayoed Felipe Sosa, 6, and defeated Jesse Mongia, 10. Julio Escobedo decisioned Manuel Armenteros, 10. Australian Champion Bobby Sinn whipped Sergio Milan, 12. Dave Gallardo won from Gil Cadilli, 3. Clifton Bradley decisioned Tony Longo, 8.
Carlos Lara and Baby Orozco drew, 6, Lara also drew with Baby Arizmeldi, 8. Paul Armstead kayoed Manuel Baptista, 1. Angel Guerrero kayoed Bombon Kiriz, 8. Henry Luera decisioned Ted Dean, 6.
Joel Sanchez whipped Roy Hernandez, 10. Candy Lopez kayoed Benny Coca, 1. Sonny Mendia outpointed Wayne Cooke, 10. Manuel Prescott and Vicente Worrell drew, 6.
Andre Valignat edged out Belgian Champion Aime Devisch, 10. Rogelio Diaz de Leon kayoed Rodolfo Ibarra, 5.
Babe Guerrero outpointed Transito Ramirez, 10. Rodrigo Duenas kayoed Eduardo Santos, 1. Jules Touan demolished Belarmino Fragoso, 5. Pedro Perez kayoed Lucio Hidalgo, 5, and Pinkey Ruiz, 7.
Spanish Champion Jose Hernandez whipped Jose-Maria Godoy, 10. Chucho Mejia won over Beto Rodriguez, 8. Tommy Bain defeated Billy Evans, 10. Rudy Ortega stopped Johnny Hand, 6.
Paddy Read decisioned Joe Nardo, 6, but was stopped by Bobby Soares, 4. Sal Ruiz beat Emilio Orta, 10.
Luis Espinosa decisioned Ernesto Rodriguez, 8. Karo Bibi defeated Manolo Luna, 10, but lost to Luis Contreras, 10. Roberto Garcia won over Ramon Gonzalez, 10. Gino Tovar edged out Wilson Holley, 6, Gino then lost to Lefty Perez, 10, while Holly was stopped by Junior Flores, 5. Flores also beat Pat Brown, 6, and Henry Luera, 6.

BANTAMWEIGHTS

European Champion Mario D'Agata outpointed Jesus Rubio, 10.
Raul (Raton) Macias stopped Leo Espinosa, 10.
Australian champion Kevin James stopped Pierre Cossmeyns, 9.
Emile Chemama was fatally injured in automobile crash 24 hours after winning vacant French title by stopping Dante Bini, 11.
Joey Benson outpointed Frankie Campos, 10. Frankie whipped Jorge Gabino, 10.
Ricardo Moreno and Kildo Martinez drew, 2. Ricardo then kayoed Alejo Mejia, 5. Bobby Singleton kayoed Cleo Ortiz, 3. Manuel Armenteros kayoed Luis Castillo, 7, but lost to featherweight Julio Escobedo, 10. Toto Ibarra outpointed Byron Cumberbatch, 10.
Mike Hernandez decisioned Nacho Escalante, 10. Raul Leanos stopped Bartolome Martinez, 9. Martinez was also kayoed by Rogelio Saucedo, 5. Saucedo also kayoed Jorge Valverde, 5.
Lucio Gonzales bested Manny Delgado, 10. Claudio Martinez and Victor Asprilla drew, 8.
Buddy Baggett lost to flyweight Mario DeLeon, 10, and featherweight Willie Pep, 10. Carlos Cardoso won over Baby Rivera, 10. Manuel Robles stopped Tigre Ramirez, 2. Juan Cardenas halted Letterio Petilli, 7.
Joe Becerra stopped German Ohm, 6. Ohm halted Babe Navarro, 3. Miguel Jimenez halted Martin Vazquez, 7. Johnny Jarrett stopped Darcy Carr, 8. Raul Solis kayoed Rodolfo Juarez, 4.
Rocky Herrera whipped Engodo de Campeche, 8. Rudy Coronado stopped Lino Botello, 1. Roque Fernandez defeated Miguel Garcia, 10.
Danny Bedolla won from Zurdo Beltran, 10. Stan Sobolak stopped Charles Bohbot, 5. Gildardo Bacho won over Babe Ruiz, 10, and stopped Pedro Garcia, 5. Berto Gonzales defeated Mitsuo Yamamoto, 10.

FLYWEIGHTS

World Champion Pascual Perez kayoed Antonio Gomez, 8 (non-title).
Fighting as a bantamweight, Leo Espinosa was stopped in 10, by Raton Macias.
Hitoshi Misako rewon the Orient flyweight title by outpointing Danny Kid, 12. Aristide Pozzali kayoed Jose Ogazon, 9.
Cheto Fernandez won from Mario Ruiz, 8. Leo Zuleta defeated Cunning Andy, 8. Andy also lost to Baby Johnson, 10. Bout between Teddy Rainbow and Bindi Jack for vacant Australian title called "no contest," 8.
Mario DeLeon beat bantamweight Buddy Baggett, 10. Ramon Arias defeated Nicolas Ascanio, 6. Joe Medel decisioned Juancito Lopez, 8.
Negro Medina defeated Zurdo Sanchez, 8. Chico Argaez defeated Babe Vazquez, 6.
Rudy Alcantara kayoed Tommy Gomez, 5; and beat Tony Ganados, 8. Baby Ross drew with Roy Compio, 8, and Little Dommy, 8. Little Romulo kayoed Rush Cabling, 4.

BOXING IN YUCATAN
By Eduardo Amer G.

MERIDA, YUC: ALFONSO "GORILON" ORTIZ, 143, of Mexico City, TKO'd Chico Villa, 147, of Venezuela, in the fourth round; —Pantera de Champotón (Salvador Beberaje), 138, bested Manuel Ravell, 140, in ten good rounds; Carlos Ortíz, 130, iced Tuty Argáez, 134, in two rounds; Baby Riverita, 116, whipped Panchito Estrella, 113, in four; Zurdo Castillo, 112, beat Chico Salazar, 114, after four rounds.

▶ MERIDA, YUC: Mike Hernández, 122, took a decision from Nacho Escalante, 120, in 10 rounds; Ausencio "Negro" Medina, 112, defeated Wenceslao "Zurdo" Sánchez, 115, in eight fast rounds; Carlos Lara, 125, and Baby Orozco, 123, drew in six; Agustín "Chico" Argáez, 113, won a four round decision over Negrito Alcalá, 112; Aguilita Castillo, 113, stopped Chato Casanova, 116, in the second round.

▶ MERIDA, YUC: Trini Ruíz, 132, of Mexico City, and Pantera de Champotón (Salvador Beberaje), 136, drew in ten rounds; Bombero Aguilar, 132, and Terry Martínez, 132, also drew in 10; Tom Miss, 134, kayoed Carlos "Lincoln" Tamayo, 135, in 4; Negrito Alcala, 112, decisioned Manolo Ortíz, 114, in four; Pancho Nájera, 132, TKO'd Baby Tamayo, 133, in the fourth.

▶ CAMPECHE, CAMP: Gilbert Mullens, 132, bested Pantera de Champotón, 136, in 10 rounds.

▶ CAMPECHE, CAMP: Carlos Ortíz, 131, of Yucatán, TKO'd Kid Rejón in 7 rounds.

▶ CAMPECHE, CAMP: Pantera de Champotón, 136, TKO'd Yuyín Trejo, 130, of Yucatán, in the second.

▶ CAMPECHE, CAMP: Carlos Lara, 125, of Yucatán, and Baby Arizmendi, 128, drew in eight rounds; Rocky Herrera, 120, of Yucatán, whipped Engodo de Campeche also in 8; Chico Argáez, 113, of Yucatán, beat Babe Vázquez after six rounds.

▶ CAMPECHE, CAMP: César "Borracho" Morales, 130, stopped Pantera de Izamal (Antonio Rosado), in 5 rounds; both are of Yucatan; Carlos Ortiz, 131, of Yucatan, TKO'd Kid Estrella in four rounds; Tony Salazar, 112, of Yucatán, beat Chino de San Francisco, in six rounds.

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RIGHT FROM MEXICO CITY
By Selsso Tiborro

TWO INTERNATIONAL FIGHTS OF WORLD'S IMPORTANCE were staged during the month of March in Mexico. In one, Raul "Raton" Macias, defended his NBA world's bantamweight title against Leo Espinosa, of the Philippines, the Far East champion, Macias stopped the challenger in the tenth of a scheduled fifteen-round match, thus retaining his NBA title. The winner showed he is still the outstanding lad he used to be before he was stopped by Billy Peacock in Los Angeles in three rounds.

In the other, Memo Diez, Mexican and North American flyweight king, met Young Martin, European champion, of Spain. Diez needed one round to ice the Spaniard. This took place at "El Toreo" bull ring, in Cuatro Caminos, State of Mexico.

▶ Beto Carbajal, 134, stopped Manuel Rivera, 134, in eight. Marcelino Peña, 138 stopped Bobby Cardenas, 134, in ten. Hector Garcia, 132, stopped Manuel Pizaña, 135, in five. Carlos Loyola, 126 decisioned Aurelio Mora, 127, in six. Anastasio Navarrete, 117, stopped Little Colima, 113, in three.

▶ Giraldo Bacho, 120, stopped Pedro Garcia, ("Patitas Chuecas"), 119, in five. Roque Fernandez, 116, decisioned Miguel Garcia, 117, in ten. Chucho Olmos, 138, stopped Juan Bonilla, 135, in two. Gabriel Navarro, 126, decisioned Delfino Caudillo, 128, in six. Lalo Camarena, 123, stopped Chon Peña, 127, in three.

▶ Julio Cesar Jimenez, 144, decisioned Jesse Bogart, 142, in ten. Alvaro Gutierrez, 135, stopped Enrique Gomez, 135, in five. Jorge Armijo, 134, stopped Fernando Ugalde, 134, in two. Manuel Rojas, 118, stopped Heriberto Fuentes, 116, in four. Chango Samaniego, 128, decisioned Chicho Rodriquez, 127, four.

▶ Alfredo Cota, 141, decisioned Al Villegas, 147, in ten. Eduardo Almazan, 136, decisioned Orizaba Kid, 136, in ten. Cirilo Aguirre, 146, stopped Chamaco Rodea, 147, in two. Moises "Toro" Padilla, 118, decisioned Pancho Rubio, 121, in six. Benito Rodriquez, 135, stopped Felipe Ortega, 132, in two.

▶ Julio Escobedo, 126, decisioned Cuban Manuel Armenteros, 120, in ten. Ubaldo Ramirez, 134, decisioned Beto Gonzalez, 134, in ten. Chucho Mejia, 125, decisioned Beto Rodriquez, 126, in eight. Chico Garcia, 117, decisioned Juan Alcantara, 114, in six. Ramon Ramirez, 115, decisioned Elias Sanchez, 111, in four.

▶ Memo Diez, 112, Mexican and North American flyweight king, stopped Young Martin, European champion, 112, in one round. Joe Borrel, 145, stopped old Kid Azteca, 147, in five. The fights took place in Cuatro Caminos, State of Mexico, not in Mexico City.

▶ Marcelino Peña, 137, stopped Felix Medina, 136, in eight. Pedro Fuentes, 144, decisioned Enrique Saavedra, 145, in ten. Joe Medel, 114, decisioned Juancito Lopez, 116, in eight. Carlos Loyola, 126, stopped Lecherito Castro, 127, in five. Bernardino Martinez, 108, decisioned Delfino Martinez, 109, in four.

▶ Raul "Raton" Macias, 118, stopped Leo Espinosa, 116, in the tenth round to retain his NBA bantamweight championship before almost 50,000 fans at the Mexico bull ring. The kayo came at 2:57 in the tenth. Raul dominated the fight after the third round. Espinosa put up a brave fight but could not keep taking the left hooks to the liver which the champion kept throwing at him. It was a left hook to the liver and a right cross that finally downed the challenger.

In the semi-final, Kenny Lane, 136, placed sixth in THE RING's classification for April, decisioned Enrique Esqueda, 135, in ten. Cheto Fernandez, 114, decisioned Mario Ruiz, 114, in eight. Indio Conde, 127, decisioned Juanene Garcia, 125, in six. Negro Alfaro, 119, stopped Enrique Moreno, 117, in two.

▶ Miguel Jimenez, 120, stopped Martin Vazquez, 120, in seven. Jose Galicia, 135, stopped Chucho Olmos, 135, in six. Luis Espinosa, 125, decisioned Ernesto Rodriquez, 124, in eight. Chino Gomez, 134, decisioned Roberto Peña, 135, in six. Lalo Camarena, 125, stopped Armando Blee, 126, in two.

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SOUTH AFRICAN NEWS
By Eric Moolman

TWENTY-ONE YEAR OLD HUBERT ESAKOV died in a Johannesburg hospital 52 hours after being K.O.'d by Willie Toweel in the 11th round of a catchweight bout in the Johannesburg City Hall.

Esakov never regained consciousness and was rushed to hospital for an emergency brain operation.

Willie Toweel was to have defended his national featherweight title against the hitherto undefeated Esakov. However, both boxers came in over the featherweight limit. Thus Toweel forfeited his title and the match went on at catchweight over 12 rounds. Toweel will in future fight as a lightweight.

The bout developed into one of the most gruelling fights ever witnessed on the Rand. Esakov kept boring into Toweel to try to wear him down, but took a great deal of punishment in the process. Esakov eventually succumed in the 11th round to a terrific right from Toweel.

Esakov's was only the second ring death in South African boxing history. An amateur boxer died on the Rand a few years ago. This was the first professional death in the Union.

▶ Mike Holt, 160, the national Middleweight champion, scored a very convincing points win over his American opponent, Garth Panter, 160, at the Rand Stadium, Johannesburg, in 12 rounds.

Panter absorbed terrific punishment throughout the fight and was lucky to see out the fight. Holt made a chopping block out of the American.

Panter was a sorry sight at the end of the bout. The left side of his jaw was badly swollen, his left eye was bleeding and his right eye was closing. Holt was completely unmarked.

Other results:—Lightweight:—Hubert Esakov K.O.'d Garry Gordon in second round. Lightweight:—Tommy du Preez and Albert Scott drew.

Flyweight:—Dennis Adams, S. African champion, K.O.'d Alan Belstead, Rhodesian champion, in second round.

Welterweights:—Les Zinn better known as Len von Gravenitz T.K.O.'d Fred Tissen in second round.

▶ Non-European Boxing.—In Johannesburg Peter Moledi, a southpaw Bantamweight caused a sensational upset when he T.K.O'd Slumber David Gogotywa in the first round. Slumber, who recently returned from a successful British campaign will go through with his title bout with national champion, Louis Joshua.

On the same bill, Herbert Hlubi outpointed the holder, Ariel Xaba, over 10 rounds to become the new Transvaal Middleweight champion.

In a non-European lightweight eliminator held in the Durban City Hall, Enoch Nhlapo, the Transvaal champion, narrowly defeated Durban's Johnny Linda on points. (These non-European notes are compiled by Brian Rakoff of Cape Town.)

▶ CORNER CHATTER:—Jimmy Elliott made an impressive British debut by beating Les Allen on points. . . . His stablemate, Louis Klopper, recently stopped by Ron Hinson in England. . . . Colin Strauch back home after a lengthy British campaign, is keen to meet Ewart Potgieter in the ring. . . . Yours truly would be pleased to hear from all who are interested in the fight game. My address is P.O. Box 171, East London, South Africa.

SWINGS AND HOOKS FROM CENTRAL OHIO
By Less Huffman

THIS IS THE FIRST TIME IN THIRTY-FIVE YEARS that Columbus had no Golden Gloves show. A lot of youngsters were looking forward to entering the Gloves tourney and it is hoped that some other organization will come forth and sponsor it.

▶ Earl Rabb, representing the PAL of Toledo, copped the feature bout on an amateur show in Monroe Community Center in Monroe. A nice crowd attended.

▶ Be sure to send your notes to this column before the first of the month. Address is P. O. Box 611, Station G, Columbus, Ohio.

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SEEN ON TV

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His fine showing earned him another TV bout and he whipped Earl Hilton. The next month he turned in a fine win over Tommy Reed and, just when things were looking great, Uncle Sam stepped in and Miguel put the next two years in the army.

During this time he had two fights, losing both, to Panama champion Pedro Tesis and Joe Wilkinson.

Returning to New York following his discharge, he whipped Harold Smith and was matched with Bobby Courchesne in a TV bout. Miguel lost but made a fine showing and was brought back against Pat Marcune this January. He came from behind to kayo Pat in eight rounds with some solid left hooks to the body. Then came a rematch with Courchesne. Forcing the action from the start, he again used his body blows to score a kayo, this time in five rounds. Last time out he staged a great rally in the last round to edge out a one point win over the veteran Bobby Bell. Nineteen fifty-six looks like a great year for little Mr. Berrios who has hung up 15 wins in his 20 fights.

NAT FLEISCHER SAYS:

(*Continued from page 27*)

NEW YORK LEADS IN PROTECTIVE MEASURES

Despite the precautions that are being taken throughout the world by the medical advisors of boxing commissions, the Grim Reaper continues to mow down both amateurs and professionals. With only four months of the year gone, already five deaths have been recorded, three among the professionals. The fatalities are widely scattered with one in Scotland, one in Chile, another in South Africa and two in our country.

When the European Boxing Union convention is held in Germany, the chairmen of medical boards of nine countries will convene to discuss further protective plans. Dr. Mal Stevens of New York will discuss the program adopted by the Empire State with particular stress on the new gum piece that has been developed to act as a shock absorber when an uppercut to the jaw had been landed.

Under the guidance of Dr. Stevens, New York today boasts of the finest medical service offered in any part of the world to boxers—all at the expense of the commission.

New York gives its boxers the best protection of any state and to the credit of the Medical Advisory Board not a fatality has taken place in the State in four years. The last was recorded was that of George Flores in 1951, following a knockout at the hands of Roger Donoghue.

WOULD DIVIDE BOXING SUPERVISION IN PENNSY

The proposal to take boxing out of the hands of the Pennsylvania State Athletic Commission and place it in the hands of the City Council of Philadelphia is the latest move on the part of politicians to restore boxing to the Quaker City. Philadelphia, once a leading Eastern boxing center, has had no major contests since Governor Leader suspended the sport as a result of the Harold Johnson vs. Julio Mederos fiasco.

Charles D. Heavey, State Representative to the Harrisburg legislature from Philadelphia, called upon the House members to strip the Athletic Commission of its powers to regulate boxing and wrestling in the Quaker City and to turn such regulatory powers over to the City Council. His proposed law would authorize the Council to fix penalties not exceeding $5000 and prison sentences not over 180 days for violation of any ordinances it should adopt.

In placing the bill before the House, Representative Heavey declared that as a result of the ban on boxing, business men in the restaurant and amusement field and hotels have lost heavily in income and with their loss, city taxes have fallen off.

It would be a strange affair if in Pennsylvania there should be state control through a Commission in all parts except in one city where a local body would handle boxing and wrestling. It would not be practicable and because of that, the bill was killed.

However, there seems no further reason why boxing in Philly should not be restored. The Johnson case is a dead issue now and since the Boxing Commission still retains its powers, it can regulate the sport in Philadelphia on a firm basis.

N.B.A. AND N. Y. ENTER INTO WORKING AGREEMENT

The recognition by the National Boxing Association of suspensions meted out by the New York State Commission and visa versa is a step in the right direction. When the N.B.A. recently issued its monthly bulletin listing 184 suspensions, 36 of which were imposed by the New York Board, and 21 by the British board, it gave notice to managers and boxers that no longer will it be possible for them to annul the action of a commission by hopping into another state. Henceforth suspensions will be international.

Heretofore a fighter suspended in New York could box in most N.B.A. states. Only those with a working agreement with New York, would sustain the suspension in their state. New York still is a non-member of the N.B.A. but has an international agreement with the N.B.A. and the European Boxing Union, an agreement into which the N.B.A. also entered recently. Thus suspensions in any part of the U.S. are honored in Europe and visa versa.

At the next European Boxing Union convention in Berlin in the middle of May, a convention I will attend with Julius Helfand of New York, an attempt will be made to have a uniform international scoring system adopted and an international ruling on championship bouts in which a title holder fails to make the weight.

In some states if a champion is overweight, and the challenger meets the weight requirements, the title holder loses his crown at weighing in time. The bout then goes on as an overweight match and if the challenger wins, he is recognized as champion.

In other states the bout is called an overweight match and the challenger if he wins, is named the number one challenger in a championship elimination tourney in which he gets a bye.

In my opinion, the first is the correct procedure.

CALIFORNIA ADOPTS N.B.A. SCORING SYSTEM

The abolition by California of the Australian eleven points system of scoring for the National Boxing Association's ten points "must" system, leaves only New York, Connecticut and Missouri with systems of its own. Heretofore in California an even round was tallied 5½ to 5½ points and a close winning round, 6 to 5. Henceforth it will be 10 to 10 or 10 to 9.

In Connecticut the British five points system is in use and in Missouri, the ten points "divisable" system is employed in which an even round is scored 5 to 4; a close round to 6 to 4 etc. New Jersey, Louisiana and New York employ the round-by-round method.

Considering the large number of letters received from readers bitterly complaining about the present method of deciding bouts in most states, it is apparent that a uniform code is necessary to end this chaotic condition and from my observations, based on contests I've seen in many parts of the world, I stand by the New York point system as the world's best—four points per round maximum tally as inaugurated by Colonel Eagan. I would do away with the rounds-by-round tab and score only points, 1 to 0 for a close round; 2 to 0 for a good margin win; 3 to 0 for a big margin including a knockdown and 4 to 0 for a onesided round in which two knockdowns are scored.

LA LAGUNA AND THE MEXICAN PROVINCE

By Miguel Ramirez Aznar

ARENA OBRERO: — TORREON. — RAUL LEANOS, 119, stopped Bartolomé "Gallito" Martínez, 119, in the ninth round. Fidel Lucero, 131, a newcomer, iced veteran Luis Uribe, 132, in the second with a left hook to the chin. Pedro Pérez, 126, kayoed Lucio Polina Hidalgo, 127, in five rounds.

▶ARENA OLIMPICA LAGUNA: — Gómez Palacio.—Ernest Figueroa, 127, classy boy from Mexico City, floored Felipe Sosa, 128, three times. The Torreon Chocolate Soldier went to sleep in the sixth round. Watch Figueroa, I beg you. In the 10-round semi, Lucio "Borrachito" Gonzales, 126, Bantamweight Champion of La Laguna, whopped tough and rough Manny Delgada, 127, from Aguascalientes. In other ten-rounder, Babe Guerrero, 130, Aguascalientes, outpointed Tránsito Ramírez, 128, La Laguna.

▶ARENA OBRERO: — Torreón. — Manuel "Zurdo" Mendoza, 137, La Laguna Lightweight King, defeated Tabaco Kid, 142 in ten rounds. The Tabaco Kid visited the canvas four times. In another 10-rounder, the young car-washer, Pedro Pérez, 125, surprised everybody when he embalmed flashy Manuel "Pinky" Ruiz, 124, in the seventh. In the 8-special, Luis Herminio Vázquez, 145, kayoed Jesús "Bomba" Ortiz, 150, in the first round.

▶AUDITORIUM CRUZ BLANCA:—Chávez. —Joe Castañeda, 147, The Bronco from Fresnillo, reappearing at La Laguna rings, won a decision over Canelo Kid (Eduardo Rodríguez), 144, in ten. Manuel "Ratón" Robles, 116, stopped Tigre Ramírez, 118, in the second round. Salvador "Chicharitos" Ruíz, 130, bested Emilio Orta, 127, in ten rounds.

▶ARENA OLIMPICA LAGUNA: — Gómez Palacio.—Bernabé "Baby" Vázquez, 132, National Lightweight Champ, had a lot of trouble with lighter Humberto "Hamlet" Carrillo, 125, but obtained a very split decision. The 7-pounds handicap was the decisive factor in Vaquez' triumph. Our score: Vázquez 4, Carrillo 3, and three even.

In the semi, Joe Becerra, 120, cut up German Ohm's eyebrow to score a TKO in the sixth round. Germán Ohm, 117, was well ahead on points when the disaster came. In other tener, Karo Bibi, 126, Aguascalientes, easily decisioned Kid Manolo Luna, 125. Ray Mejía, 132, bested Gustavo Salas, 131, in the six special.

▶MONTERREY.—Kid Anáhuac, 127, outpointed Beto Couary, 125, in ten. Kid Juárez, 145, TKO'd Joe Castañeda, 147, in the sixth.

▶TAMPICO.—Juan "Bombín" Padilla, 143, got a left hook to Tomás "El Concripto" López' midsection to put the National Welterweight King to sleep in the tenth round of their scheduled 12-rounder championship match. So friends, the "Bombín" is now the Champion of Mexico in the welter class.

In other fights, Cuban Manuel Armenteros, 119, KO'd veteran Luis Castillo, 120, in the seventh; and Memo Baltazares, 129, stopped Baby Zárate, 130, also in seven.

▶MEXICALLI.—Ricardo "Pajarito" Moreno, 119, drew with Kildo Martínez, 121, in two rounds. Both kids butted and Kildo got a bad cut. The fight was stopped and the decision was a draw.

In another match, Joel Sánchez, 128 bested Roy Hernández, 127, after ten rounds.

▶TAPACHULA.—Gabriel Díaz, 154, stopped Roberto Brito, 151, in the third.

▶AGUASCALIENTES.—Luis Conteras, 126, defeated Karo Bibi, 127, in ten rounds.

▶ACAPULCO.—Roberto García, 125, decisioned Ramón González, 126, in ten.

▶ACAPULCO.—Carlos Cardoso, 118, won a ten round unanimous decision over veteran Baby Rivera, 119.

▶PIEDRAS NEGRAS.—Mario de León, 116, won a decision over Buddy Baggett, 119, in ten.

▶CIUDAD ACUNA.—Rogelio Saucedo, 119, embalmed Bartholomé Martínez, 120, in the fifth.

▶MONTERREY. — Damaso Collazo, 134, Cuban boy, iced Tobe Peñaloza, 132, in seven. Kid Juárez, 144, kayoed Santiago "Gallito" González, 140, in the fifth.

▶PACHUCA.—Raúl Solis, 121, knocked out Rodolfo Juárez, 120, in the fourth.

▶MONTERREY. — Kid Anáhuac, 125, stopped Américo Rivera, 121, in seven. Rogelio Saucedo, 119, kayoed Jorge Valverde, 116, in five rounds.

▶ACAPULCO.—Angel Guerrero, 126, KO'd Bombón Kiriz, 127, in eight rounds.

▶AGUASCALIENTES. — Germán Ohm, 119, embalmed Babe Navarro, 121, in the third. round.

▶PIEDRAS NEGRAS.—Beto Couary, 125, beat Otilio "Zurdo" Galván, 123, in ten rounds. Frank Campos, 120, decisioned Jorge Gabiño, 118, also in ten.

▶GUADALAJARA. — Rudy Coronado, 119, stopped veteran Lino Botello, 118, in the first.

▶AGUASCALIENTES.—Victor Torres, 149, iced Matías Fenoy, Spain, 146 in three rounds. Danny Bedolla, 118, decisioned Zurdo Beltrán, 120, in ten rounds.

▶PIEDRAS NEGRAS.—Ricardo "Pajarito" Moreno, 119, had a lot of trouble but kayoed Alejo Mejía, 118, in the fifth round.

▶MONTERREY.—Gildardo Bacho, 118, outpointed Arturo "Babe" Ruiz, 119, in ten rounds.

▶ACAPULCO.—Gabriel Barragán, 151, convincingly outpointed Santos "Firpo" Gutiérrez, 154, after ten hard rounds.

BOXING NEWS FROM HAWAII

By Ted Yamachika

RUGGED ABEL DONNELL SPOILED THE HONOLULU DEBUT of well known Orient featherweight, Shikegi Kaneko, by punching out a close ten-round decision in a rousing slugfest held at the Civic Auditorium. The decision, a split one, was really close, it could easily have gone the other way. The fight was promoted by Sports Enterprises, Ltd., drew 2,771 customers and grossed $5,388.50.

Donnell was definitely losing the fight going into the eighth round. He had won the first two rounds and had held his own in another, but during most of the middle rounds he had taken a beating trying to slug it out with the windmill Tokyo battler. Kaneko was winning the fight on sheer stamina and a fast pace but faltered toward the finish. Kaneko weighed 126½ and Donnell, 127¾.

Larry Cantiberos, 136¼, was lucky to get a draw against Steve Takano, 132¼, in the 6-round semi-final. Francis Militante, 124¼, decisioned Dan Melendez, 129, four rounds.

John Kaheaku, 158, TKO'ed Wallace Matalii, 164, in the first of four.

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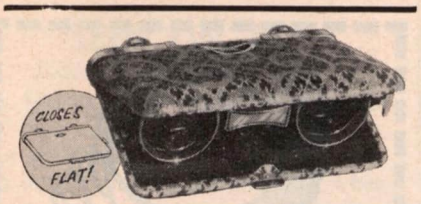

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EUROPEAN GOSSIP

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iard, Jesus Rubio in a bantam ten. Carlo Poli drew with Mafaldo Rinaldi in a lightie six.

At Milan, Gheres Fretzghi won over Dino Nocentini in third when his foe was ruled out for repeated fouls and in another welter debate, Lepre won over Grilli in six. Testoni drew with Piai in a lightie six and Salvatore Boi won over Brusa in a middles six.

▶ Pisa, Italy—The local cruiser prospect, Sergio Burchi, seemed to get the best of his scrap with Ivano Fontana but was obliged to settle for a draw after eight hard sessions. Stampi trounced Mario Posca in a lightie six.

At Mestre, Frederico Friso, outstanding heavyweight comer, pounded out a one-sided win over the German giant, Horst Herold, in eight and Mario Vecchiato outfought the Belgian lightie, Scherens, over ten. Aldo Pravisani threw over his payoff punch in the seventh stanza of his feathers discussion with another Belgian, Jacques Lesseine, and it was curtains for the visitor. Bottoni drew with Sanna in a welter six.

▶ Jemappes, Belgium—The latest middles prospect to crop up is Richard Bouchez, who defeated the German, Helmut Höhmann, over ten rounds. This was Bouchez's seventeenth win. He has suffered but one defeat. But he has yet to meet a fighter of name before being hailed as a new Delannoit. Oscar Alvarez whipped Daniel Cobe in a feathers ten on the same bill.

▶ Paris—At the Sadium, Charles Bohbot suffered a cut eye during the fifth frame of his bantam debate with Stan Sobolak and was forced to retire.

At Valenciennes, Aimé Devisch, Belgian feathers champ, came through with a good victory, trimming André Younsi over ten rounds. Bubert stopped Robert Contensaux in the second of a heavy slam and Leveque won over Domec in a lightie eight.

At Perigueux, Edouard Ptak made another appearance, defeating the Spaniard Jacinto Santin in a lightie ten while at Le Mans, lanky Claude Richard trimmed Chapel in a lightweight ten.

Roger Facqueur, at Arques, won in the sixth frame of a welter bout against the Belgian, Allouane, ruled out for butting.

▶ Varese, Italy—Guido Mazzinghi dropped Manolo Correa twice and went on to win a convincing points victory over the Spaniard in a middles ten. Artemio Calzavara decisioned the tough German cruiser, Günther Balzer, over eight and will shortly meet Jannilli for the Italian title. Winner must take on D'Ottavio, the official challenger, within prescribed time.

Rocco Mazzola flattened ring-weary Heinz Motzelt in the second of another cruiser dispute and in a bantam eight, Giancarlo Dugini decisioned Walter Limbach of Germany, over eight rounds.

▶ Antwerp, Belgium—Kid Eddy outscored the French welter, Robert Gillet over eight, Canipoel lost out to Mohamed Beghadi, Algerian lightie, over eight. Alf Vaillant of France upset Kiekens in a bantam eight and Raymond Mocques, French middle, halted Frans Callaerts in the fifth.

▶ Paris—After many adjournments, the much-publicized battle between Kid Gavilan and Germinal Baldarin took place at the Palais des Sports. Gavilan, 151, and Ballarin, 159. The Frenchman went to work right away and had the Keed on the retreat for the first few rounds. By the fifth, Gavilan seemed to have got his bearings and opened Ballarin's right eye but the Frenchman fired right back and forced the Cuban to give ground.

In the following rounds, Ballarin began to tire and Gavilan turned on the heat gradually and in the eighth and ninth was getting much the better of the exchanges. Ballarin fought back grimly in the tenth and copped the decision.

Ballarin is the son of an Italian, was born in Luxembourg and has now taken French citizenship. Aged 26, he has just completed military service and is rated as a great prospect by the French press. Hitherto a hesitant and impressionable fighter, on this occasion Ballarin show great determination.

Emile Chemama made one of his infrequent visits to the capital, whipping Dante Bini for the third time in a bantam ten. Jean Poisson licked André Oueillé and Marcel Pigou trounced Tony Feliciano in two middleweight eights and in a further middles maul, Gabriel Assaga looked good in stopping Claude Debenne in five.

NEWS OF THE BRITISH ISLES

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place, Bruno Marestogan of France was agreed upon. The Frenchman had little but gameness to offer against a relentless Waterman. The crowd was treated to a Waterman "Work Out." The referee came to the fans' rescue in the sixth by calling it a day and naming Waterman as the "WINNAH and STILL CHAMPEEN" over Marestogan.

George Dormer, West Ham, 118¼, showed a different kind of boxing and fighting by his masterful display in dealing with George O'Neill, Belfast, 119½, when he scored a good points win after eight rounds. Arthur Howard, Islington, 175½, defeated Tony Dove, Battersea, 175½, in a gruelling battle of ten rounds. George Whelan, Acton, 136¼, defeated Teddy Best, Cardiff, 136, on points after eight entertaining rounds. Ron Hinson, West Ham, 134½, stopped Louis Klopper, South Africa, 136¾, in the fifth, which I thought was premature on the referee's part.

Don Symonds, Bellingham, 147, outpointed Tommy Lee, Catford, 146, in six. Don Flack, Bermondsey, 129, former amateur, gained a good win over Harry Cuffy, British Guiana, 130, who was knocked out in the third.

▶ National Sporting Club, LONDON.—Peter Longo, Covent Garden, 157, made short work of Len Lowther, Doncaster, 157, in their return contest. The bout was stopped by the referee in the first round after Lowther had taken four counts. Tony Barrett, Pimlico, 146, knocked out Joe Rufus, Nigeria, 143½, in the third. Vic Smith, Croydon, 142½, stopped Terry Burke, West Ham, 142, in the third. George Carroll, Covent Garden, 126½, outpointed Peter Reed, Cambridge, 126½, in six. Roy Harris, Erith, 138¼, outpointed Johnny Cheatle, Portsmouth, 140¾, in six. Terry Russell, Poplar, 132, and Albert Stokes, Battersea, 131¾, boxed six rounds to a draw.

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GERMAN BOXING DIARY
By J. A. Tree

SINCE 1945 THERE HAVE BEEN 17 BRITISH-GERMAN MATCHES in Britain but only one has been staged in London. It was the Werner Wiegand-Johnny Williams fight. On almost every London programme fighters from the continent are featured on the bill but never do we see a German boxer's name included. Instead we are obliged to see continental fighters who have already been beaten in Germany.

The latest outcry concerns the future European title fight between challenger Ron Barton and the champion Gerhard Hecht of Berlin. It is suggested that the fight will go to the north or midlands because, featuring a German, will be too hot to handle for the London promoters. Failing this of course it might well be put on in Germany. Promoter Goettert of Berlin will most certainly make a strong bid for it.

Germans are fighting in America, Italy, Holland, Belgium, France, they have even been featured in South African and West Indies rings. But London appears to be "Out of Bounds" to them. Even when the Luxembourg champion, Werner Wiegand fought Williams, there was comment made when it was discovered that he had a German passport. If this had been known before the fight, he may well have never seen a London ring. Of the 17 German-Britain matches, five went to Liverpool, four to Wales, three to Manchester and Preston, one to Newcastle and London.

The German Federation of Boxing will take up the British situation at the EBU Convention in Berlin this month.

▶ At the Rheinland Halle-Manfred, Harnack, Duisburg, won on points in 4 over W. Schollkamp, Essen; Herbert Soodman, Essen, won by a knockout from Harry Moller, Marl, in 3; Hans Brendemuhl, Hamburg, beat Heinz Seelisch, Kiel, 6. Wim Snoek, Holland champion, shared points in 10 with Heinz Sachs of Germany. Max Schmeling was the referee.

▶ At Camarthen—Gunther Nurnberg, Hamburg, 210, stayed the limit of ten rounds with Joe Erskine of England, 210, but lost the decision. Erskine had a cut eye, sustained in the eighth round.

Joey Giambra (left) misses with a left over the ducking head of Johnny Sullivan, British middleweight, during their bout at War Memorial Auditorium, Syracuse. Giambra won unanimous ten rounds decision.

LITTLE RHODY'S FISTIC HIGHLIGHTS
By Eddie Beck

STEVE MARCELLO, LOCAL MIDDLEWEIGHT, scored his third KO since resuming ring activities. Marcello is aiming at the top ten rating.

▶ Harold Gomes, N.E. Featherweight Champ, retained his title by outpointing Johnny O'Brien of Cambridge in a 12 rounder.

▶ Dennis Pat Brady of New York and Tommy Tibbs of Boston staged a hectic shindig at the auditorium, with Brady gaining a split verdict.

Bobby King, Boston Lightheavy, beat Johnny James N. Y., in six.

Young Armstrong, N. J. welter, ko'ed Don Vincent Providence, in one.

Bobby Soares, ko'ed Patty Read in four, both are local featherweights.

Joe Gomes beat Rusty Davis, in six. Both are local middleweights.

NEW ORLEANS AND THE SOUTH
By Broadway Johnny Cox

CHARLEY JOSEPH, NEW ORLEANS MIDDLEWEIGHT, rated the No. 10 contender for champion Ray "Sugar" Robinson's middleweight crown, is definitely a fighter who is going places in the 160 and 175 pound divisions.

Joseph scored a unanimous ten round decision over George Johnson, Trenton, N. J., topping a well balanced action card staged by promoter Heard Ragas at the Coliseum arena with 4003 fans paying a gross gate of $7,662.48.

The New Orleans boy was inactive in local rings in 1953 and 1954 being in the U. S. armed services.

The consistent winning combination of Joseph and his manager, Collis Phillips, has developed Joseph into the best ring attraction here along with Joe Brown, Southern lightweight king, handled by Lou Viscusi. Joseph scored his 38th win in 39 starts in the Johnson bout. He has been defeated once, losing a ten round decision to George Benton at Miami Beach, Fla.

Referee Roland Brown and Judge Charles Daboney credited Joseph with five rounds, two for Johnson and three even. Judge Eddie Brown balloted Joseph six rounds, Johnson three heats and one even. Joseph scaled 160 pounds, Johnson 159.

Joe Lewis, undefeated New Orleans welterweight, who takes plenty of wallops to land on his opponents, captured a unanimous six round decision over more experienced Dave Cheatum. Lewis has become a favorite with the gallery boys and is a tough durable aggressive fighter. Lewis scaled 141, Cheatum 140 pounds.

Johnny Johnson, 160 pounds, Baton Rouge, decisioned Willie Lee, 170 pounder from New Orleans in a six. Leonard Sterling, 132, scored a one round kayo in a four over Bob Cooper, 139 pounds. Joe Cook, 136 decisioned Cleveland Hamilton, 137 in another four.

▶Al Pellegrini, New Orleans 154 pounder is the hard luck fighter of New Orleans. A willing crowd pleaser, Pellegrini is no box office magnet. Pellegrini won a unanimous ten round decision over Alfonso Flores, Mexico City, 151½ in a hard fought battle staged by promoter Heard Ragas at the Coliseum arena.

Flores made a strong finish in the closing rounds. The decision was a popular one.

Referee Francis Kercheval gave the customers a break when he called the Al Villafarra, Chato Hernandez bout no contest in the fifth round of their scheduled ten spot. They are welters, Villafarra a southpaw.

One reason why promoter Heard Ragas and other promoters here had to use Villafarra, is because he is a stablemate of Willie Pastrano and Ralph Dupas.

Kenny Decareaux, 132½ floored John Navarro, 132, for an eight count in round one and won an easy four round decision. Nolan Duplessis, 146 pounder, a 2 to 1 underdog won an easy verdict in six rounds over Vince Bonomo, 148½ pounder. Bonomo seemed in poor condition.

841 fans paid a net gate of $1100 to witness a fine card with the exception of the Villafarra-Hernandez no-contest.

▶Ernest Burford, Memphis, Tenn., 151½, making his local ten round bow, decisioned capable Al Hauser, Philadelphia, Pa., in the ten round bout staged by promoter Heard Ragas at the Coliseum Arena by a unanimous decision after a hard fought battle.

Burford went down from a low blow in the seventh round and was allowed a five minutes rest. The round was taken away from Hauser who is an experienced fighter. Hauser scaled 156 pounds.

The Memphis fighter is a prospect and should be kept in eight rounders against lesser opposition than the experienced Hauser.

In another scheduled ten spot, local Larry Armstead had a soft touch in Fred Moore, Tampa, Fla., scoring a two round kayo. It was the 23rd win for Armstead in his 26 winning battles. Armstead scaled 137, Moore, 139½.

Heavyweight Ted Donald, Marrero, La., knocked out the smaller and green Johnny Jenkins in one round. Earl Gray stopped Kid Fisher, Memphis, Tenn., in the fourth round.

1424 fans paid a gross gate of $2050.

IN AND AROUND CHICAGO
By Lenny Myers

THE BIG WELTERWEIGHT TITLE FIGHT IS OVER and we have a new champion in Johnny Saxton. The bout was covered by our editor and chief, Nat Fleischer, hence no comment is required, other notables were into the Chicago Stadium to cover the fight. Yours truly scored the bout very close, but thought Basilio had an edge. . . .

▶At East St. Louis, promoter Herman Spritz put on his third boxing show. In the top bout, Virgil Akins, 147, St. Louis, scored a two round knockout over Andy Watkins, 147, Indianapolis. Watkins was tagged hard in the first round and kayoed in the second.

In the prelims, Al Lane, beat Kenny Silvers in a four round heavyweight bout. Clarence Cook, 150, stopped Joe Sgro, 144, in the Sixth and final round. Terrific punching and by far the best bout on the show was the Thatch-Simms six rounder. Irwin Thatch, 162½, East St. Louis, defeated Eddie Simms, 161, Chicago, in a close fought six spot. This would make a terrific rematch. Charley Sprule, 138, Chicago, won a hairline decision in four rounds from David Earle, 138, East St. Louis. A little over 1,000 fans turned out for a gate of $1,800.00

▶Colin Strauch, South African heavyweight prospect is being imported and will see action in and around the windy city. Joe Johnson will train him here in Chicago. . . . Bernard Glickman, manager of Bobby Boyd and John Holman, was elected president of the Boxing Guild of Illinois at their last meeting. . . .

VENEZUELAN NEWS
By William Albert

MARACAIBO: IN A CARD PROMOTED BY ANTONIO BALZAN, Isidro Martinez, 128, of Panama, scored an impressive and split decision over our featherweight Guillermo "Chicharrita" Medina, 130, in ten. The Panamanian used an effective right cross all night, winning in the opinion of the two judges.

Ramon Buckjones halted Vicente Matute in eight. The winner outboxed his opponent. They are lightweights. In other good fight, Ramon Arias, a member of the Olympic team in the Pan-American Games last year, made a promising pro debut, defeating Nicolas Ascanio in six. They are flyweights.

Gate: $3,500.

▶At Caracas: In the first program this year in the Nuevo Circo, Sonny Leon, featherweight champ, 8th in the rating of "The Ring", defeated to Mexican Victor Manuel Quijana in 10. This was a good battle. The fight grossed $5,000. Leon weighed 127 and Quijana 123¾.

Constans Alcantara, 147, of Portugal, stopped Babi Hawkins of Panama, 146, in seven. Veteran Marcelino Molina, 134, won on a technical over Guillermo Prieto, 132, in 3 rounds. Salomon Carrizales, 140, outpointed Jorge Viana, 140 in six. Oscar Martinez, 127, lost to Rafael Rodriguez, 128, in four.

LEFT HOOKS FROM SCRANTON AND VICINITY
By Ken (Duke) Stigner

REGIONAL BOXING FANS GATHERED AT NEARBY CARBONDALE, Pa., recently to witness a fine show put on by the simon pures, presented by the Holy Name Society of St. Rose Catholic Church, in the Catholic Youth Center. Promising welterweight Joe Voshefski, a TKO victor over Jerry Mieldazio, was selected as the outstanding fighter of the night.

▶SCRANTON—The sixth annual amateur boxing show sponsored by Scranton order of Elks was witnessed by 2,900 patrons, and they left praising the efforts of scrappers from Pennsylvania and New York state. Three of the hectic battles ended in technical knockouts. Seven went the decision route, with split verdicts in four, the action was so fast and satisfactory.

In the feature attraction, Tom (Irish) Holmes, Binghamton, N. Y., won a split decision over Joe Voshefski, Fred D'Andrea's Boy Club, Hamlin.

▶Waiting for the Bell. . . . Hank Stezar going with his first wrestling show in months. . . . says he is going to squeeze pro boxing shows in between. . . . James H. Crowley, chairman on the Pennsylvania Athletic Commission, looked on from ringside, flanked by his official family of deputy commissioners —William Feldcamp, Tony Killgallon, Gene Farry and Jim Manley. . . . Rex Miller, the kid Joe Latzo has, looks like he could give a lot of the pro serious contention. . . . My new address is 109 Robinson St., Chinchilla, Pa.

BOXING IN PANAMA
By Juan Copeland

MACARENA BULL RING, PANAMA CITY: Alberto (Toto) Ibarra, 119, reversed a previous loss by outboxing Byron Cumberbatch, 120, to gain a decision at the end of their featured ten rounder.

Claudio Martinez, 116¾, and Victor Asprilla, 116½, fought to their second straight draw in the eight round semi-final. Claudio seemed to have an edge in this action packed bout. Manuel Prescott, 124, and Vincente Worrell, 125, also fought to a draw in their six rounder. Melanio Pacheco, 120¾, floored Ernesto Taylor, 121, in the second and gained the verdict in their four rounder.

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NORTHWESTERN REPERCUSSIONS
By Hugh Sutton

DICK LANE GAVE VINCEINTE ECHAVARRIA A SOUND DRUBBING in a 10-round main event. The house was sold out and many were turned away.

This was undoubtedly the one of the best cards, with the most thunder, that has been witnessed in Boise for many a moon. Not only the terrific action, but we also saw a surprise upset in the Maravilla-Lincoln bout. Most of the fans were absolutely petrified when Maravilla was dropped three times by crisp, solid punches thrown by an opponent he had whipped over a month ago.

In other action highlights, George Tavares of Caldwell gave Charlie Crump, the fighting Policeman of Pocatello, a very decisive shellacing in a 6-round special event.

After seeing the outcome of the Lane-Echevarria bout, one can see why manager Al Berro wanted a waiver on the three-knockdown rule. Although Echevarria wasn't floored three times in any round, it was still a wise move on his part. I do believe if Echevarria had been decked a dozen times in any round he would have come off the canvas for more. A few more good wins for Vinceinte should place him up for a return bout with Lane. Lane, I think, is one of the topnotch middles in the Pacific Northwest. Both boys were fighting at their best weight. Lane tipped the scales at 150 and Echevarria came in at 155.

Roque Marravilla, the 170-pounder from Nampa was stopped in the third by Carlton Lincoln, 168½, of Portland. Maravilla picked up a unanimous decision from Lincoln a month ago out in Lincoln's hometown. Possibly, Maravilla went in the ring with too much confidence. This sort of thing happens every now and then to fighters that let their enthusiasm over-rule their better judgment. Anyway, Roque wants the Portlander back for a return engagement. This should be interesting.

George Tavares at 205 pounds, scaling more than ever before, gave the 186-pound Crump a nasty cut under the left eye, and the referee wisely stopped the fracas in 1:56 of the sixth.

The meeting of Eddie Schnoor and Ray Mundo was certainly a laconic affair: Mundo was down three times in 2:14 of the first round. Mundo weighed 144 and hails from Pocatello, Idaho. Schnoor calls Fargo, N. D. his home and he carries 137.

George Macaby, 148, home on leave from the Navy, put on a whale of a brawl with Gene McDuane, 149, Pocatello, Ida. Both of the battlers started out from the opening bell at a terrific pace and maintained it throughout in four rounds.

CLEVELAND NEWS
By Harold Walsh

L. C. MORGAN, HEAVY-HITTING YOUNGSTOWN FEATHERWEIGHT became a contender for the lightweight title when he won the unanimous decision over Ludwig Lightburn, the British Honduras lightweight in a great ten round bout at the Cleveland Arena, before 2534 fans. Morgan knocked Lightburn down in the first and the latter dropped Morgan in the ninth but the Steel City lightie was in complete charge of the contest.

▶ The amateurs had a great season here this winter. Johnny Papke, the former middleweight, promoted many good bouts including a series of programs at the Cleveland Athletic Club. Papke and Phil Goldstein will take the Cleveland Plain dealer champions for A.A.U. tournament in Boston.

▶ Johnny Karr, a fine Cleveland fighter of the past, died recently. Karr was the Olympic welterweight champion, winning the 1916 title at Copenhagen, Denmark. As a pro he fought the best including Jock Malone, Tony Downey and Morrie Schlaifer. In late years he was a referee.

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NEWS FROM CUBA
By Dr. J. A. Vieites

HERE IS THE PRO-BOXING NEWS, FOR THE MONTH OF MARCH.

The Panamian featherweight champion, Pedro Tesis, a 23 year-old boy who showed great promise, after collecting two good purses in these shores, went back to his native land with a contract for two more bouts, and died in an automobile crash when he went to the Automobile Agency to change his old car. May his soul rest in peace . . .

Orlando Zulueta was the victim of another poor decision in Milan, Italy and only got a draw with Spanish feather, Fred Galiana, THE RING's No. 1 feather contender, and European titleholder.

The draw verdict rendered last month in the Rafael Lastre vs. Armando Baragano, bout here on February 26, was changed to a victory for Cuba's former lightweight king as an error was discovered in the addition of Judge Manuel Saa's Card.

Lastre is only fighter in the world ever to k.o. Isaac Logart. He also defeated Ike Williams and twice fought sensational battles with world's light king, Wallace Bud Smith.

▶ HAVANA—Before a non-televised crowd that paid $10,061.10, The RING's No. 6 featherweight contender, Martin Rodríguez (El Güije), 129¾, scored a good points win over Panama's feather King, Pedro Tesis, 130. In the fourth, after a furious exchange, Rodríguez dropped Tesis for an eight count, to clinch his 13th straight win. Tesis looked very good and finished fast as Rodríguez tired towards the end.

In a 12-rounder, Miguel (La Diabla) Díaz, 146, was crowned welter champion of Cuba, when he outpointed champ Jesús (Chico) Varona, 146, in a fast and furious fight. Varona was handicapped by a 6 month layoff, and also coming down from 169 to 146 pounds in one month.

Angel García, 129, won in six from Gervasio Rodríguez, 129¾. Johnny Sarduy, 117, drew in 4 with Pedro J. González; and Guillermo Díaz, 148, won in four from René Casanova, 145½ pounds.

▶ Havana—Fernando Spallota, 158, an Italian from Florida, scored a 6 round t.k.o. over Agustin Ininerat y, 159¼, Julian Pérez, 134½, won in eight from Félix García, 136. Vincente Reyes, 148, won in six from Julián Yánez, 145½. Humberto de la Rosa, 124½, drew in 4 with Rolando Morales, 123½. Osmoro Hernández, 156, won in 4 from Orlando Peñalver.

▶ Havana—Santiago (Sandy) Martínez, 127¼, dropped Andy Arel in the second, to clinch a tenner, in a very good fight. The Miamian came in at 129½.

Juan Medina, 135, won a controversial eight rounder from Víctor (Tato) Menéndez, 134.

Orlando Varela, 147, stopped Jorge Chapman, 145, in three.

Santiago Ramírez, 126¾, drew in six with Giraldo Leyva, 130, and Antonio Bossas, 123¼, won in 4 from Manuel Acosta, 126.

▶ Havana — Fast hitting-hard-jawed, good club fighter, Orlando Castillo, 126, made a fast finish, and with his non-stop style, looked good outpointing, heavier and bigger Panamanian king, Pedro Tesis, 130. Orlando holds victories over Sonny León, Luis Galvani, Luis Castillo, and other stars.

Miguel Lazú, 118¾, won in eight from Víctor Recio, 117¾. Mario Sosa, 117½, won in six from Sal Villa, 119, Carlos Chivas, 141, won in four from Jesús de Cárdenas, 137, and Johnny Sarduy, 117, won in four from Ralph Martínez.

PITTSBURGH PUNCHES
By Mickey Davies

Another of the grand Old Guard has passed away. Death came to Jack White quite suddenly, after a brief bout with pneumonia. He was one of the most respected fellows in the business he followed for so many years. White was associated with the late Reddy Mason in the handling of Harry Greb, then later went on to become one of the most capable matchmakers in the country. A grand person—a perfect gentleman was Jack, and he will be missed by all his friends.

▶ Pittsburgh Gardens — Johnny Eubanks, 145½, East Liberty, made a pretty picture, as he boxed himself into a clean victory over his neighborhood chum, Reybon Stubbs, 145½, East Liberty, in 10 rounds. The fight was not too exciting from the cash customer's viewpoint, but for those who appreciate "good boxing", it can be said that Johnny did a masterful job in outthinking, out-punching, and generally out-maneuvering his school days pal.

Wilf Greaves, the transplanted Edmonton, Elberta Canada, middle now residing in Pittsburgh, continued his winning ways, with a sterling four round TKO over Cowboy Ernie Smith, of Rochester, Pa.

Art Mayorga, 217, Youngstown, beat Joe LaQuatra, 178, Pittsburgh (4). Luke Easter, 136, Rankin, stopped Clyde Mayberry, 140, Coaoplis (4). Skippy Green, 149, Hill iced Willie Minnifield, 151. Carnegie (3).

Jack LaQuatra, 158, North Side, halted Henry Mallory, 152, Hill (3).

The show, the third winner for Promoter Ben Anolik this year, grossed $11,237.75.

▶ QUICKIES—Fritzie Zivic on a speaking tour that will take him all over the country . . . Johnny Fiore, East Liberty grill operator, is a most avid boxing fan . . . John has a copy of THE RING on hand at all times . . . The Gardens, which has housed so many great fights throughout the years will be razed in May to make way for an apartment building . . .

NEWS FROM SUNNY AUSTRALIA
By Ray Mitchell

AUSTRALIAN LIGHTWEIGHT CHAMPION, COL CLARKE put Scotsman, DON McTAGGART right out of boxing when they met in a return at Sydney Stadium. The super-tough McTaggart took punches which would have annihilated anyone else immediately, but at the end of the eighth round he left his corner and walked towards referee Vic Patrick, signalling that he had had enough. It was later discovered that some rib cartilages had been torn by Clarke's punching.

▶ Number one contender for the Australian welter title, DARBY BROWN, proved he was master by stopping hard-punching HARRY GROGAN at the end of the tenth round at Sydney Stadium. Brown gave a masterly display of forcing Grogan into errors, than punching inside him. Darby skilfully rode Grogan's barrages. He slipped many blows, rode the sting out of the rest, only on very few occasions taking the full force of the Grogan blockbusters. A badly gashed eye brought the bout to a close at the end of the tenth. But Brown had a commanding lead on points.

▶ JOHNNY JARRETT, rising bantam hitter, disposed of smart-moving DARCY CARR in eight rounds at Leichhardt, after having Darcy on the floor on several occasions.

▶ Australian featherweight champion, BOBBY SINN showed he still had plenty left when he easily outpointed Italian, SERGIO MILAN at Brisbane Stadium. Bobby is an idol in the northern State.

▶ A packed house at Wollongong saw a great program of boxing. In the main, featherweight MAX MURPHY moved a step up the featherweight ladder by the way in which he disposed of ALAN RITCHIE. It was a grand fight and ended in the sixth round, with Ritchie having the full count placed over him. It was the fourth successive promotion at Wollongong by American JOE LYNCH.

▶ At Wollongong, middleweights BILL COLLINGS and NOEL BOOTH gave the fans a good fight, with Collings gaining my decision on points. Between these two promotions at the coal city, two twelve-round bouts were contested. They were fights of contrasts. In one, HARRY GARR outpointed HERB PITTMAN in a clever boxing bout, while, in the other, JOHNNY SMITH knocked out DADAK ALEXANDER in a fight. The first pair are featherweights, while the second are junior middleweights. The second fight finished in the seventh round.

N.S.W. State welter champ, MICKEY McDONALD, who has enjoyed a high rating among Australian welters for some time, has come to the end of the trail. Weighing many pounds over his natural weight, he failed to come out for the fourth round against DAVE CLINGAN, a junior middleweight. Mickey announced his retirement immediately after the fight.

▶ One week later, BERT HORNBY, another high-ranking welter, put paid to Victoria's rough, wildman, NICK FARRELLY. Bert outclassed Nick and the ref called a halt in the ninth.

▶ The Sydney Daily Mirror is going great guns with its amateur talent quest. Three good ones were unearthed at Wollongong, when Joe Lynch forewent his promotions for one week to allow the Mirror to hold its quest. Then the quest went to Albury for another successful night. Several other country cities and towns are on the itinery. At Albury a top-class featherweight professional bout headed the bill. BARRY HATCHER, number one featherweight contender for Bobby Sinn's Australian title, outpointed former flyweight champion, FRANKIE BENNETT. It was a clever fight, but was marred by Bennett sustaining blisters under his toes, having the blisters broken and bleeding during the fight. From the eighth round on, he could not follow up his advantage when he rocked Hatcher with hard punches to the head. As it was Hatcher won clearly, but a rematch would be in order.

▶ GEORGE BRACKEN, number one contender for Clarke's title, brought over that rare feat: a one-punch knockout (rare, with the exception of Col Clarke, who often does it), when he iced former featherweight champion, RUSSELL SANDS, with a right in the fifth round at Brisbane. Sands led slightly on points at the finish. Bracken, a great whacker, is the only fighter to have Clarke on the canvas. Col rose and immediately flattened Bracken.

▶ Double bill at Brisbane N.S.W. feather, HERB PITTMAN, outpointed Queensland ex-bantam champion, DICK WHITE, while DED ASHE knocked out JOHNNY AZZARD, former Texan, in the seventh round of a lightweight bout.

▶ Former Australian middleweight champion, PRAN MIKUS, reached the end of the trail when BARRY BROWN, former Empire welter champ, stopped him at Wellington, New Zealand. The contest lasted just seven rounds.

▶ Rising middle, HARRY CASTLES, stopped JOE DAMIAMI with a cut eye in a good fight at Collingwood, Melbourne. Castles was in front on points when the bout ended in the eleventh.

▶ A no-contest in a title fight is unusual, but that is what happened at Leichhardt Stadium when referee Vic Patrick walked out and left TEDDY RAINBOW and BINDI JACK in there in the eighth round of a bout listed for the vacant Australian flyweight title.

▶ Another title contest took place at Rockhampton, when ERNIE HUGHES beat the Queensland heavyweight champ, CEC MEREDITH on a foul in the sixth for the Queensland title.

▶ In Sydney, middleweight DON BRONCO JOHNSON finished the rubber with ALFIE SANDS by knocking him out in the fifth round of an unsatisfactory fight. It was unsatisfactory because Sands was not in good condition.

▶ A disappointing, spoiling fight took place at Sydney Stadium when Italian spoiler, LUIGI COLUZZI, outpointed RICARDO MARCOS in a middleweight mill.

▶ BILLY TODD, moving towards the welter title, outpointed Italian FRANCO VESCOVI at Leichhardt. But he had trouble early when Vescovi knocked him down.

▶ NOEL FLYNN stopped JOHNNIE COOPER in the eleventh round of a terrific fight at Collingwood. Cooper was halted on account of a cut eye, but he was trailing on points at the time.

▶ Heavyweight SANDY ASSOGNA and CARL SCHMIDT figured in an uneven bout at Sydney Stadium. Assogna completely outclassed Schmidt. BILL STANLEY, rising welter, took just one and a half rounds to dispose of BILLY WINTER.

▶ PHIL BURT, Victorian welter, got his revenge on NICK FARRELY for a previous defeat, when he outpointed the wildman at Collingwood. A week later, middleweight JOHNNY DOUGLAS outpointed JOE DAMIAMI.

BAHAMAS BOXING NEWS
By Chris W. Malakius

NASSAU: YAMA BAHAMA, 148½, BIMINI, the welterweight champion of the Bahamas, scored his 22nd straight win as he stopped Jimmy Ford, 146, Miami, in 1:53 of the ninth round. Bahama was giving his opponent a bad beating when the referee halted the bout.

In the semi-final six, Gomeo Brennan, 151, Bimini, outscored Battling Douglas, 148, Nassau. Frankie Taylor, 146, Miami, decisioned Will Coakley, 149, Nassau, 4; Henry Ferguson stopped Tom McKinney, 3; and Buster Bethel defeated "Fish" McKinney, 4. A crowd of better than 1,000 fans turned out for this show held at Grafunkel Field. This fine show should encourage the promoters to run again soon.

LOUISVILLE BOXING NEWS
By Joe Martin

A NEW BOXING CLUB WAS GRANTED A LICENSE to operate in Louisville. It is known as the Cardinal Sports Club, Inc. Its president is George Happell. Its matchmaker is Frank DeCamillis who will stage ring shows at the Armory and Parkway Field.

The veteran Boxers Association of Kentucky organized this month at the Kentucky Cafe and selected Happy Davis as temporary chairman, Corky Cravens was named secretary. Davis announced a membership of 24; the membership is limited to retired boxers. The purpose of the association is to help old boxers in need and to further the careers of young boxers. Among those attending was 84-year-old Seaman Rodgers, who boxed Marvin Hart, Kentuckian who one time held the heavyweight title.

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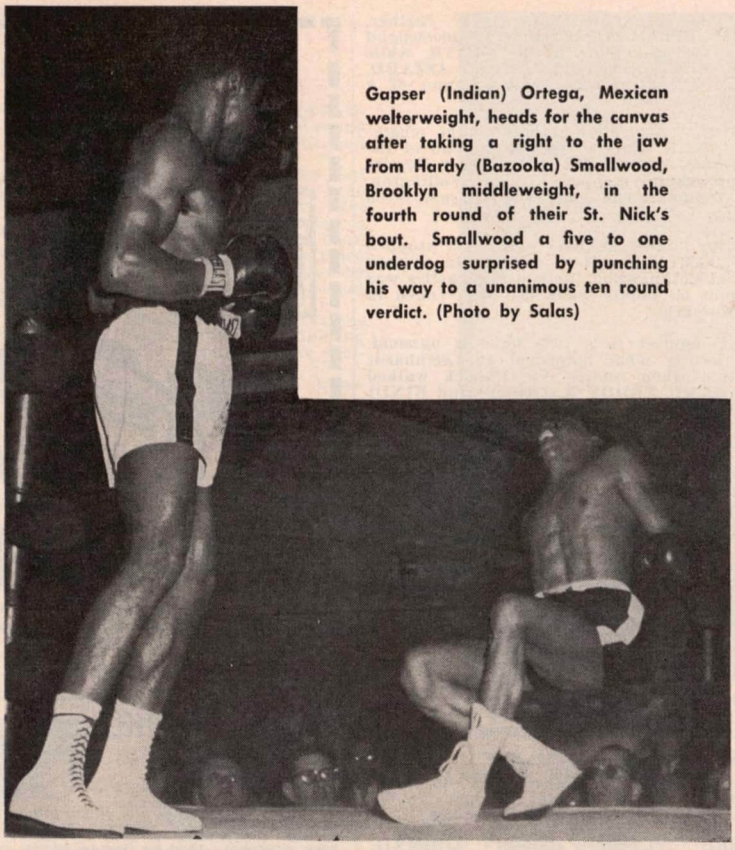

Gapser (Indian) Ortega, Mexican welterweight, heads for the canvas after taking a right to the jaw from Hardy (Bazooka) Smallwood, Brooklyn middleweight, in the fourth round of their St. Nick's bout. Smallwood a five to one underdog surprised by punching his way to a unanimous ten round verdict. (Photo by Salas)

UNDER SOUTHERN SKIES
By Tom Ephrem

WILLIE PEP packed up a couple of victories last month and set his sights on the biggest prize in his division, the featherweight crown. Whipping Kid Campeche in Tampa, and Buddy Baggett in Texas, the former 126 pound kingpin asked for his arch-rival, Champ Sandy Saddler. At this writing, Tampa is seeking the fifth bout between them.

▶ Top man all the way, Willie Pep experienced no difficulty in wrapping up an easy 10 round duke over Kid Campeche, of Mexico, and Houston, Texas, at Tampa. The ex-featherweight boss was content to toy with his foe. Kid, trying to score against elusive Willie, missed plenty and had no luck catching the little ring great with any of his wild shots. The mis-match drew only 1,100 fans to Fort Hesterly, but that couldn't be the fault of Pep, who seeks the leading contenders and the champion, and apparently can't get to first base. The winner, from Hartford, tipped 128, a pound more than the loser.

Tony Grosse, 152, Tampa, won from Curly Stewart, 149, Miami. Chino Lopez, 143½, Tampa, TKOed Bob Johnson, 148, Plant City, in two. Johnny Bullard, 188½, Wichita Falls, Texas, drew with Vince Corbi, 183½, of Tampa. The only good bout on the card was the 10 rounder between Aman Peck, of Tampa, and Georgia Kid, by way of Miami, and they fought to a draw. Some fans thought Georgia Kid won. Peck weighed 153, and his opponent, 160¼.

▶ An accidental collision of heads ended a lively scrap between Clarence Hinnant, of Washington, D. C., and Al Andrews, of Superior, Wisconsin, in the featured attraction at Miami Beach. Andrews, 8-5 favorite, came out of a close quarter struggle with a nasty gash over his left eye in the eighth round and Referee Billy Regan and Commission medico Dr. Alexander Robbins figured enough for Al that night. Until the accident, Hinnant, making his first appearance at the Beach, was leading on points. Both fighters tipped the same, 163½ each.

Jackie Richards, 175½, Detroit, took a sixer from Bobby Lane, 173½, Kannapolis, N. C. Howard Schwartz, 152, Cincinnati, scored in four over Sonny Lemon, 152½, Miami. Al Barrazza, 145, Glendale, Arizona, TKO'ed Walter Bailey, 144½, Miami, in three. Don Horner, 152, Miami, whipped Tommy Fields, 156, Miami, in four. Horner's work in the past is commendable. Willie Cea, 147, Hartford, annexed a four from Ray Davis, 148, Miami. Chris Dundee promoted. The 1,679 fans contributed $3,642.

▶ In the latest issue of The Ring Magazine, Willie Pastrano, of Miami and New Orleans, is ranked seventh best heavyweight; Charley Joseph, of New Orleans, is 10th in the middleweights; Ralph Dupas, of New Orleans, is number two among the lightweights, and Willie Pep, of Hartford, Miami and Tampa, is 10th among the featherweights, the division he twice ruled some years ago. Another Southerner, Ray Lancaster, of Spartanburg, South Carolina, was named by The Ring as its Lightweight Prospect of The Month.

▶ Harold Carter settled a previous draw with Bob Satterfield by taking a well earned 10 round decision over the heavy-hitting Chicagoan at Miami Beach. Pounding Satterfield's body, the Linden, New Jersey heavyweight scored most of his points by this assault. Things weren't easy for Carter for he was forced to accept the type punching Satterfield is noted by. However, as the expression coined, "he could take it and dish it out", that was Carter completely as the three officials agreed. The winner at 194, and the loser at 183. They drew 2,915 fans and a gate of $7,346. Chris Dundee promoted.

A rising Miamian, Jimmy Persey, 178½, didn't think much of Joe Dorsey's publicity releases and handed the favored New Orleans 175 pounder a 10 round loss. The Florida fighter had Dorsey down for counts in the third and in the eighth and the win here was Jimmy's tenth in succession. Don Horner, 156½, Miami, who may be a comer, TKO'ed Cleveland Johnson, 154, Miami, in round three. Willie Gullat, 213, Miami, scored a fifth round TKO over Claude Rolfe, 187¼, Tampa and Miami, and Jess Williams, 150, Fort Lauderdale, drew in a four with Bobby Walters, 142, Erie, Pa.

▶ Our good friend and former boxer, Jim Bowden, a heavyweight from Jacksonville in his campaigning days, died from a fall during construction work at the Jacksonville Naval Air Station, recently. Jim wrestled after his boxing days were over but retired from the grappling industry to devote more time to his other work. Among Jim's survivors are, Dad Winston; Wife Jackie, and brothers, Johnny and Reuben. Johnny boxed awhile also. We all will miss the husky fellow. God Rest You, Jim.

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▶ Holly Mims technically kayoed Jimmy Morris in the ninth round of a scheduled tenner at Miami Beach. But he can't be too happy over the victory. Both Mims and Morris appeared shy of any gunwork until Referee Jimmy Peerless pressed them for action. Morris came to life in the middle of the eighth and carried on to the next round. Mims found him with a wild left and Jimmy found the canvas. Up at eight, eyes glassy, Ref Peerless stopped it then and awarded the bout to Holly. The winner, at 157, is from Washington, D. C., and the loser, at 159, from Miami.

A good semi-final scrap of eight rounds went to The Georgia Kid, 159¼, with Jerry Fowler, 155½, losing out. Carmen Iaccobucci, 133¾, defeated Ray Davis, 135, in four rounds. Jerry Frazier, 156½, nodded Roland Lemoyne, 161½, in a sixer, and Curly Stewart, 136, whipped Joe Moody, 135, in a four. Chris Dundee promoted the show which drew 1,896 fans.

MARYLAND'S MERRY MAULERS
By Joe Poodles, Sr.

THE MARYLAND BOXING COMMISSION granted Jack Portney and Les Sponsler a license to promote boxing in Baltimore. Portney was one of Baltimore's outstanding fistmen back in the thirties. He was a rated southpaw welterweight contender, however Jack was never able to entice any of the titleholders into the ring with him with the crown at stake. So the likeable lad had to be content in playing the role of the best man but never the groom.

Jack's partner in this newest venture is a former promoter around Baltimore who had promoted many of Portney's matches. Les started promoting here in the early Twenties and was a terrific success. He had gotten out of the game on several occasions but the call always seems to get the best of him and back he comes for more. This pair of go-getters should make the fur fly in this Oriole city. Portney is in the pool and bowling supply business while Sponsler is a theatrical booking agent. Both of them are well established in their respective fields.

IOWA, SOUTH DAKOTA SPARKS
By Bill Hawkins

MILLER, SOUTH DAKOTA.—Two welterweights, Hobart Lonehill of Belle Fourche and Harold McLean of Faulk county-acquired the tags of knockout specialists in the amateur boxing tournament staged here. Lonehill scored a kayo over Jack Dixon of Miller, in 1:10 of the second round. McLean stopped Dennis Koster in 36 seconds of the first round.

▶ LAST MINUTE SPARKS . . . Both professional boxing and wrestling are on the sidelines at this writing . . . Wrestling activity will start again with the outdoor season at the Soos Baseball Park . . . Our address is 2206 N. Lafayette, Sioux City, Iowa . . . See you next month.

MINNESOTA NEWS
By Billy Colbert

Minneapolis Auditorium. The first show of the new Minneapolis Club was a success both at the box office and the card was very good. In the main event Glen Flanagan, St. Paul, 139, knocked out Jackie Graves, Austin, Minn., 133, in the third round of a very fast bout. Flanagan threw caution to the wind from the opening bell and started punching and never quit until Graves was out in the third round.

Danny Davis, Minneapolis, 137, won by a tko over Eddie Fitzpatrick, Chicago, 136, in eight rounds. Crowe Peel, 183, Chicago, won by a tko over Jack Wagner, Morton, Minn., 198, in six rounds.

Jim Hegerle, St. Paul, 159, won by a tko over Chuck Livingston, Chicago, 160, in the first round of a six rounder. Larry Quist, 160, Minneapolis, won by a tko over Mack Roberts, Chicago, 159, in four rounds.

The gate was over five thousand dollars and considering was very good for the club and the fighters.

▶ Jim Hegerle, St. Paul middleweight and Joe Schmolze, Minneapolis, are the two best looking fighters around the Twin Cities for some time and when they are matched will pack them in at either club.

▶ Jimmy Potts, well known Minneapolis boxing figure, passed away in Minneapolis this week. Jimmy boxed for 25 years, during a time when there were a lot of good fighters He was a contender for the lightweight and welterweight titles.

▶ St. Paul Auditorium:—Jack Wagner, Morton, Minn., heavyweight, and Jim Saunders, Winnipeg heavy, boxed to a draw in eight rounds. The lean and sharply conditioned Wagner depended wholly on a left hand whereas Saunders did the forning throughout the fight. Wagner weighed 194 and Saunders 220.

Jim Hegerle, St. Paul, 158, knocked out Howard Lee, Chicago, 158, in the first round. Hegerle looked very good in scoring the ko he was been winning all his fights around the northwest most of them by the ko route.

MORE HARD WORK FOR OUR LADS AFTER GRUELLING TOUR

Tony Madigan's luck was out

When our much-travelled amateur boxing team has completed it's foreign tour against Poland, Russia and Finland, our lads will return to find the A.B.A.'s Training Committee have a pre-Olympic training programme all mapped out. No doubt, some of our boxers would prefer to rest up after a gruelling tour in Warsaw, Moscow and Helsinki, but the British team will need to be at its fittest to complete succesfully at Melbourne.

Speaking of the Olympic Games, what bad luck for Tony Madigan, the likeable Australian who, with victory in sight at the London championships received such a cut eye that he was forced to see his chance of going home swept away from him with only 15 seconds to go. Had it not been for that unlucky break, I feel sure he would have won the A.B.A. title and his ticket to Australia and home.

CASH NEEDED

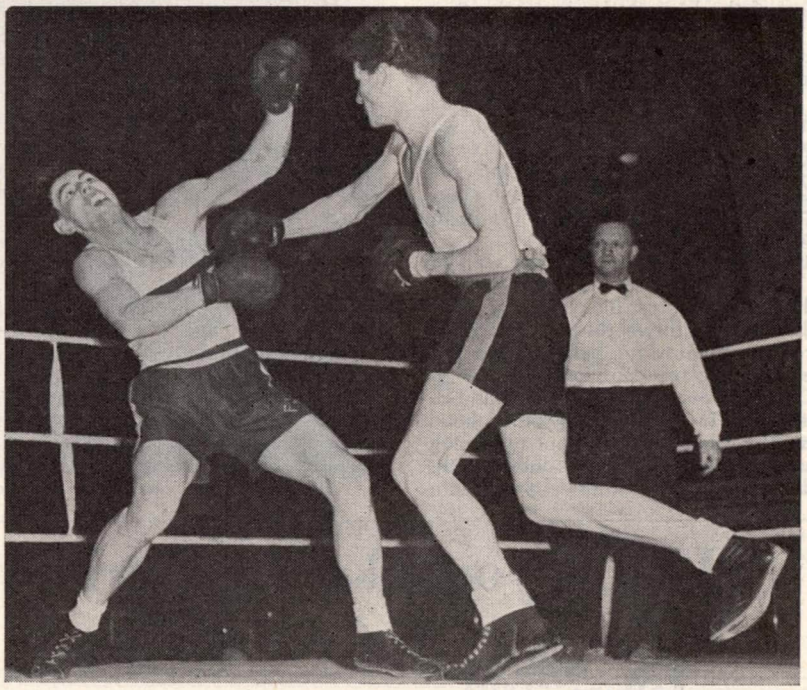
Handicapped by lack of cash, the A.B.A. are staging a show between London and the Imperial Services to augment funds for the £400 ahead trip to Melbourne. The seating capacity at London's Albert Hall is not much more than 6,000 at the most, and unless they dig deep into their own coffers, I can see a further effort needed to get them through the Games schedule.

What profit made by this Albert Hall show would just about see one of the team through. Yet other countries competing can name a full team of ten boxers, team manager and masseur, and have no personal financial worries at all.

One of the few England crew who will not feel the draughts so much is Harry Hedger the Polytechnic boxer who won everything but an A.B.A. lightweight title; and who, as a referee, is travelling to the Games. The only other "Home" official who will be accompanying the team of England and Scottish boxers is Johnny Henderson, the Scottish A.B.A. secretary.

It will not surprise me if the ring feud between Harry Perry and Fred Tiedt, Ireland's two top welterweights switches into a common threat to Nicky Gargano, London's trim looking, salesman in Covent Garden.

The fact that both Perry and Tiedt angled all last season to get Nick into the ring without success, and the knowledge that Gargano will not box any further from home than Dublin is causing both our Irish stars to keep their fingers crossed.



WHACK? IT'S HACK!

Fred Woollard, the Herts Policeman, is knocked off balance by a right from Denis Hack, the Hemel Hempstead cruiserweigt. Hack who won this bout, had previously given Tony Madigan, of Australia, a tough fight.

Perry only entered the welterweights in the hopes he might catch up with Gargano. He is still toying with plans to entice, snare or snatch Gargano over to Dublin for next year's British Railways big tournament.

I can tell my Irish friends that Gargano will be very happy to meet either Perry or Tiedt, both socially or in more fistic frame of mind . . . if Nicky can get to Dublin and back to Covent Garden Market in 36 hours!

TWO FIREBALLS

Another spice ticket-seller would be a Dublin return between Gilbert Neill of White City and Martin Smith, of the Star B.C. These two fireballs put up a terrific to-do at the stadium, Dublin, recently, and their scrap is still the topic of club gossip. Neill is certain he can beat Smith next time.

Many home judges believe that former Irish welter king Tommy Milligan will be more than a match for Paddy Burke, the new Irish middleweight champion if they can be rematched.

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Quite a few bets were struck on the faith of Milligan's right hand punch, but Paddy Burke, despite being beaten in the Northern Counties A.B.A. series, carried just too many guns for the former Irish boxing idol. Milligan still feels that he has the beating of Burke and this may prove a top seller later in the year.

Northern fans are insisting that their featherweight champion Ken Dry, from Hull, is going to make another Nel Tarleton. Dry caused a tremendous surprise when he won the Northern Counties title. That put him right into the front line, but when he went on to upset the Scottish champ, George McMillan, there could be little wrong with the opinion Northerners hold on Dry.

GREEN UPSET

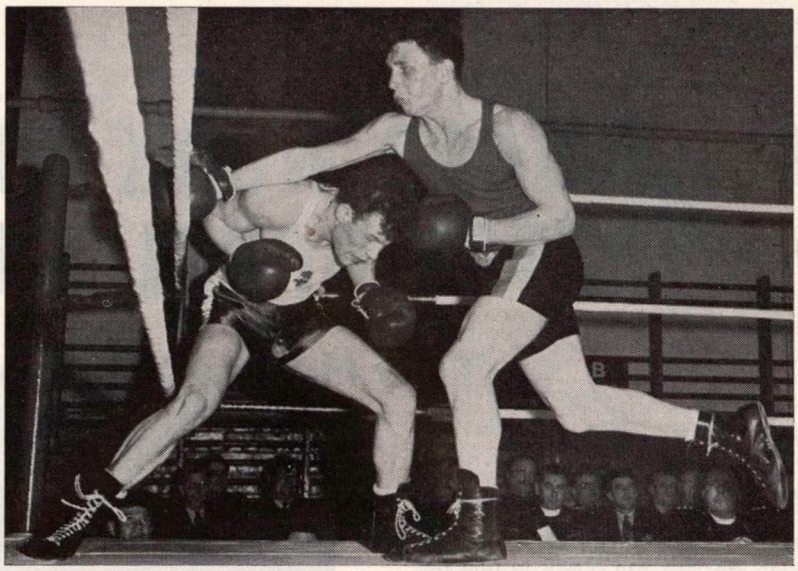
One of the biggest shocks in the Scottisch Northern Counties clash was the defeat of promising Hull cruiserweight Tommy Green by veteran Dave Mooney, the Lanark miner who came out of retirement recently. After winning his way through the Miners championship series, Mooney entered and beat Green in a sizzling A.B.A. quarter final . . . which shows there is still plenty of fighting life in the tough Scot.

It is to be hoped we have not seen the last of popular Welsh champion Malcolm Collins. Malcolm lost his chance of a shot at the A.B.A. lightweight title, but I hear there are grounds for believing he may give up the game completely.

I was the means of bringing this brilliant Welsh junior to the National headlines after I had seen him put up a magnificent display at a South London Baths. At his best, as a featherweight, Collins was first class. When he won the Welsh senior title he looked a certainty for an A.B.A. crown, but the R.A.F. took him then, and although he has done some boxing, his displays later this season were nothing near those of twelve months ago.

Maybe a rest of a few months will bring back that tremendous enthusiasm for the game that made Collins such a fine Welsh champion.

Freddie Woodman, 26 year old London electrician, who won the divisional featherweight title five times running, tells me he may retire. For seven years Freddie has been a thorn in the sides of the most outstanding featherweights in this country, but when he was ruled out, in company with Derek Simpson of St Pancras club both for holding Freddie was upset. I witnessed that affair, and I shared the sympathy of a vast crowd who thought ex-policeman George Marlow the referee had been a little drastic.



WELL DUCKED SIR!

Private T. Gill (R.A.O.C.) ducks under a right from Private W. Wadham (Middlesex Regt.) in the Army championships at Colchester. Gill won this welter final on points.

K.O. KING K.O.'ED!

While 21 year old London lift attendant Roy Francis was thought capable of knocking out *any* man around his weight, the likeable Brixton mauler found it difficult to add to his large collection of prizes. But directly he was presented with the order of the K.O. himself, and by none other than his pal Ronnie Garnett, everyone in the light-middles wanted to try their hands on Francis.

Francis may go into the full middles next season. If he does, I would warn him to get into closer contact with the cleverer side of boxing. Roy knows well that the K.O. that flattened U.S.A. middleweight king A. Davies was just one of those lucky punches that happen once in a lifetime. Unfortunately for Roy, everyone has expected him to repeat the blow in every contest.

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They would be introduced to two old friends Nick Gargano and Jimmy Cottrell, friends who could help tremendously in augmenting the club and Church funds!

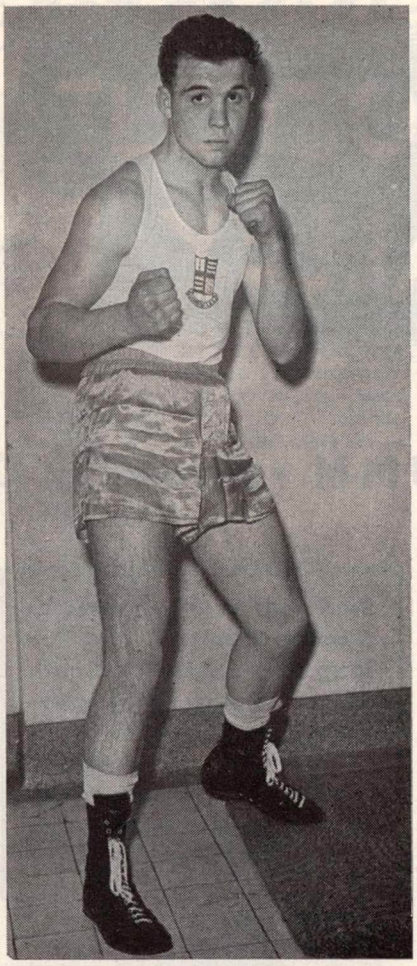
THOSE 'NEEDLE' BOUTS

Bermondsey fans like their boxing to have that little extra keeness, and to acquire this enthusiasm it is more than likely that another first rate attraction like a meeting—all friendly like—between Denis Hack of Hemel Hempstead and Tommy Green of the Hull Boys Club will be added to the programme.

These two cruiserweights have more than the ordinary reason for crossing gloves.

And remember that it was this same Denis Hack who gave Australian Tony Madigan such a tearaway fight at London's Albert Hall not many weeks ago. If Tony is'nt completely finished with the game, then I know that Wally Pack's pet Denis Hack will be delighted to meet him again on similar terms.

Britain's boxing miners have made themselves famous this season. It was in 1947, not long after the mines were nationalised that the National Coal Board felt that in the interests of the industry boxing would be a fine way of giving their thousands of boxing minded workers something to get really enthusiastic over. Since then these natural scrappers have done wonders for themselves and their hordes of followers.



RON REDRUP

The West Ham middleweight fancied for a long time to represent Britain in the Olympics

More than 1,000 entered for the championships this year, all eager to emulate former stars like Ronnie Latham of Hickleton Main, Tommy Miller of Whitrigg Colliery; Emlyn Lewis of South Wales, who used to leave his pit and set off on long tramps over the Welsh mountains; Tommy Blears the Lancashire featherweight; Johnny Smillie of Scotland, later to become an Empire flyweight champion; Trevor Clements of South Staffs; and Dai Dower the British and Empire flyweight king who failed twice to win a miner's title.

The standard of the present crop of Miner's champions is high, and although some of the finest fights were witnessed in the past at Wembley Stadium, it is the general opinion that the recent championships at Granby Hall, Leicester, were well on the upgrade. The miners will be producing an A.B.A. champion or two shortly.

JIMMY SHOWS THEM

Another large concern taking up boxing more seriously than ever is the Civil Service Boxing Association. Hard working man behind their big improvement is Jimmy McGrath, who learned his boxing as a boy at St Francis School, Peckham, some thirty years ago. No wonder his members are showing that they have what it takes to produce good class boxers.

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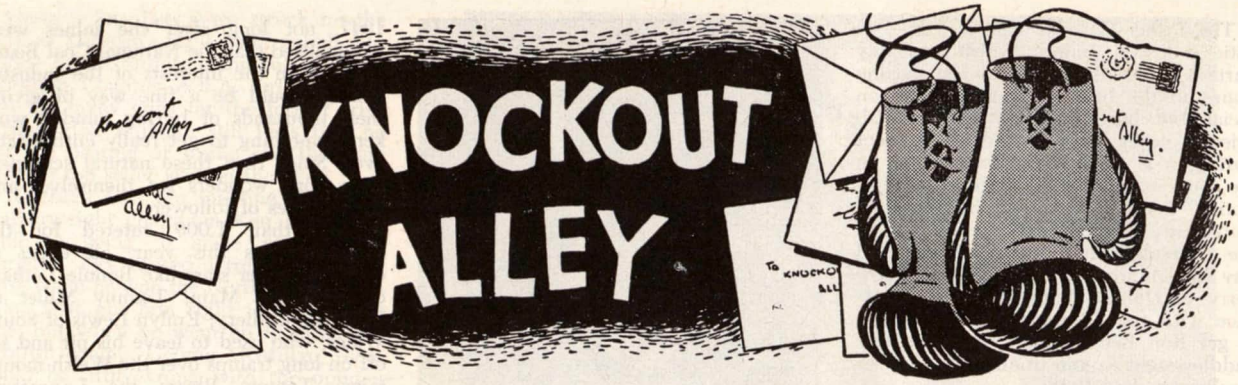
(Up to May 1.)

HEAVYWEIGHTS (Over 178 pounds) Champion: D. RENT (Bootle)	LIGHT-HEAVYWEIGHTS (Not over 178 pounds) Champion: D. MOONEY (Lanark)	MIDDLEWEIGHTS (Not over 165 pounds) Champion: R. REDRUP (West Ham B.C.)	LIGHT-MIDDLEWEIGHTS (Not over 156 pounds) Champion: J McCORMACK (N. B. Loco)	WELTERWEIGHTS (Not over 148 pounds) Champion: N. GARGANO (Covent Garden)
1. D. Thomas (Polytechnic)	T. Cole (PLA)	B. Foster (M & B)	L. A/C Cunningham (RAF)	T. Gill (Army)
2. R. Pleace (Wales)	Cpl. B. Godden (RAF)	C. Calderwood (Craigneux)	J. Elliott (Sankeys)	H. Perry (Ireland)
3. A/C Chapman (RAF)	F. Elkin (Stoke)	B. Wells (RAF)	R. Garnett (Earlsfield)	M. Leahy (Coventry Irish)
4. J. Robinson (South City)	V. Winnington (Ireland)	P. Burke (Arbour Hill)	E. McKeon (Crumlin)	G. Mullin (Birkenhead)
5. A. John (Cardiff)	T. Green (Hull)	R. Price (Wales)	A. B. Gleeson (Navy)	J. Colwell (Wales)
6. H. Roberts (Brit. Rlys)	R. Sangoe (Army)	Tel. Hone (Navy)	R. Nichol (Birkenhead)	T. McGuinnes (Lanark)
7. Sgt. Bray (Army)	T. Madigan (Fulham)	T. Southall (Newbridge)	D. Dogherty (Robinsons)	J. Thurgood (Stepney)
8. J. Seenan (Scotland)	D. Hack (Hemel Hempstead)	M. Campbell (Birkenhead)	M. Morris (Cardiff)	J. Loughran (Sandemouth)
9. P. James (Navy)	A. Careful (Birkenhead)	J. Plenty (Bristol)	Cpl. Batterham (Army)	P. Byrne (R. Northern)
10. L. James (Brit. Rlys)	F. Wilkin (Stoke)	L. Cottrell (Fisher Catholic)	W. McKinlay (Scotland)	Marine Dancy (Navy)

LIGHT-WELTERWEIGHTS (Not over 140 pounds) Champion: D. STONE (Battersea B. C.)	LIGHTWEIGHTS (Not over 133 pounds) Champ. Cpl. R. McTAGGERT (RAF)	FEATHERWEIGHTS (Not over 126 pounds) Champion: T. NICHOLLS (Sankeys, Wellington)	BANTAMWEIGHTS (Not over 119 pounds) Champion: A/C. O. REILLY (RAF)	FLYWEIGHTS (Not over 112 pounds) Champion: T. SPINKS (West Ham B. C.)
1. T. Hamilton (Dundee)	E. Kane (Lockhead)	A. Devlin (PLA)	D. Weller (Battersea)	P. Walsh (R. Northern)
2. T. McGinness (Army)	G. Martin (Fisher Catholic)	Pte Day (Army)	G. Bowes (W. Hartlepool)	A. Ambrose (Army)
3. N. Jenkins (Wales)	T. Williams (Adamsdown)	M. Smith (Ireland)	P. Guest (Bristol)	B. Ireson (Wolverhampton)
4. H. Mees (Patchways)	A. Byrne (Tradah)	K. Dry (Hull)	F. Gilroy (Ireland)	J. Cauldwell (Belfast)
5. J. Sweeney (Brit. Rlys)	A. Ashwell (Hull)	S. Elliott (Wales)	K. Williams (Bootle)	C. Rafter (N. City)
6. A/C Jones (RAF)	J. Jordan (St. Georges)	J. Cuthbert (Army)	J. Thomas (Cardiff)	R. Davies (Army)
7. H. Edwards (Army)	A/C Kidd (RAF)	L. Mills (Lynn)	Pte. Maynard (Army)	J. McGeogh (RAF)
8. R. Taplin (Repton)	S. Goffey (Manco)	A/B Ridley (Navy)	A/B Dunkley (Navy)	B. Lake (Cardiff)
9. D. Howard (Manchester)	B. Curvis (Wales)	G. McMillan (Woodside)	J. Jackson (Yorkshire)	R. Gabriel (Wales)
10. Te. Beddall (Navy)	A. B. Dunning (Navy)	A. Cutler (Salisbury)	D. Treanor (LMS Rovers)	J. Loughran (Golden Gloves)



YOUR COLUMN refereed by Charles Courage

A. DEWAR (Cedar-rd., Nuneaton)

Q.—How many fights has Rocky Marciano won and how many times has he defended his world title?

A.—To date '49. Won title from Jersey Joe Walcott and has since successfully defended it against Walcott, (second fight) Roland La Starza, Ezzard Charles, (twice), Don Cockell, and Archie Moore.

I. JOHN (Golf Club, Aberavon)

Q.—Please give date and year when Tommy Farr fought Joe Louis for the world heavyweight title.

A.—August 30. 1937. Louis won 15 rounds on points. New York.

LESLIE WALKER (Stephenson-st., Ferryhill)

Q.—Who did Joe Louis win the world title from and did he fight Max Schmeling?

A.—From Jim Braddock, k.o. 8 rounds, June 22, 1937. Schmeling k.o. Louis, 12 rounds, non-title fight, June 19, 1936; Louis k.o. Schmeling defending his title in one round June 22, 1938.

T. PHILLIPS (James-st., Port Talbot)

Q.—Did Jack Johnson ever fight Bob Fitzsimmons?

A.—Johnson k.o. Fitzsimmons in 2 rounds, Philadelphia, July 17, 1907. Fitz was then 45.

BILLY BAIN (Moorfoot-ave., Paisley)

Q.—Will you tell me Marciano's correct height and weight and when he was born?

A.—Born, Sept 1, 1924, Brockton, U.S.A. Height 5ft 11", weight, 184 lbs.

IDRIS THOMAS (Church House. Anglesey)

Q.—Whom did Sandy Saddler defeat to get the world featherweight title. When and where?

A.—Willie Pep. New York, Sept 8, 1950.

A. BLACKWELL (Irving-st., Birmingham)

Q.—Please give me information about William Perry, "The Tipton Slasher". When and where he died?

A.—Born, March 21, 1819, Tipton, weight, 185 lbs, height, 6ft½". Died, Wolverhampton, Jan 18, 1881. Among others he defeated, he stopped Tass Parker in 133 rounds. His last fight was against Tom Sayers who beat him in 11 rounds.

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M. MARTIN (South Ham, Basingstoke)

Q.—How many times did Tom Sharkey and Jim Corbett fight?

A.—Twice. They fought a four round draw at San Francisco, June 24, 1896; Sharkey won on foul, 9 rounds, Nov 22, 1898.

J. KERIN
(Westbourne Terrace, London, W.2.)

Q.—What county in Ireland was Mike McTigue born? A friend argues that he came from Dublin. What year did he win a world title?

A.—McTigue was born November 26, 1892, in County Clare. He outpointed Battling Siki, over 20 rounds in Dublin, to win the world light-heavyweight championship on March 17, 1923.

ERNEST DEACY (Ballinvoy, Co Mayo, Eire)

Q.—Can you give measurements of Pat McCoy and some of his principal fights?

A.—We do not have his measurements. Twice beaten by Percy Lewis, lost to Jimmy Tippett etc. Beat Malcolm Ames; drew with Tommy Higgins; beat Glyn Evans, Mickey Roche, Charley Simpkins.

D. R. A. COLEMAN (Warwick-rd., Bristol)

Q.—Who did Kid Gavilan beat to win world welterweight title and who did he defend it against? How many times did Jimmy Carter and Laura Salas fight and what were the results?

A.—Billy Graham at Havana. Won 15 rounds points. Oct 5, 1952. Defended it against Chuck Davey, Carmen Basilio, Johnny Bratton, lost title to Carl (Bobo) Olson, Apl 2, 1954.

Twice. Carter won the first and lost the second and world lightweight title.

K. BERESFORD (Hawthorn Drive, Cranford

Q.—I say Rocky Marciano fought Lee Savold. Was it when Rocky won the world title or before?

A.—Marciano k.o. Savold 6 rounds, Philadelphia, Feb 13, 1952. He did not win championship until Sept 23, 1952 when he k.o. Jersey Joe Walcott 13 rounds.

J. FAIRCLOUGH (Windsor-ave., Adlington)

Q.—My brother says Jack Dempsey has definitely fought Primo Carnera. I disagree.

A.—They never met in a contest.

N. SMITH (Eastford-rd., Warrington)

Q.—Where was Billy Ellaway born?

A.—Liverpool, Oct 9, 1932.

J. HOUGHTON (Preston-rd., Hull)

Q.—Did Harry Craster (Middlesbrough) ever fight Marcel Cerdan?

A.—Craster won on a foul, 5 rounds, London, Jan 9, 1939.

H. CAESAR
(Sarsfield-rd., Balham, London, S.W. 12)

Q.—Were Arthur Chambers (lightweight) and Ben Jordan (feather) over regarded as world champions? What was their hometowns?

A.—Arthur Chambers, born Salford, Lancashire, Dec. 3, 1847, was a bare first fighter. He only lost one fight in England, drew with Dick Goodwin at Acton, Cheshire, 105 rounds (3 hrs 4 min.). Is generally regarded as the first world lightweight champion in British and American record books. Died in Philadelphia, 1919. Ben Jordan born in Bermondsey, London, April 1, 1873. Recognised in Britain as winning the world featherweight title by a k.o. over Harry Greenfield, 9 rounds, N.S.C. London, May 1899, but not recognised as world champion in America. Jordan beat George Dixon over 25 rounds on points, New York, July 1, 1898, but Dixon had lost his world title to Solly Smith several months previously.

H. LEWIS (Carmather-st., Llanilo)

Q.—Did Don Cockell fight Lloyd Marshall? Did Randy Turpin fight a draw with Tiberio Mitri?

A.—Cockell beat Marshall 7 rounds, Nov. 14, 1950 and Turpin was beaten 1 round, Feb. 27, 1951.

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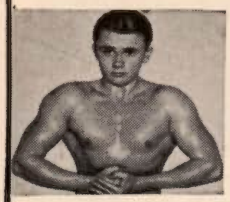

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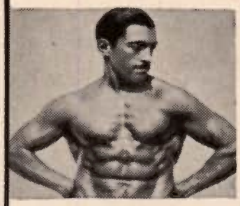

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